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Comment Of The Day

CORRUPTION

THE timing of Government's announcement of new measures to combat corruption in the civil service has not been adequately explained. It comes out of the blue, yet disclaims any suggestion that it is linked with a known increase in the number of venal officers. What then has prompted Government to take this new step against a vice which is deeply embedded in the character of the people and is as old as the Colony itself?

The suggestion is that Government is merely tightening up regulations with no more significance than that, but it seems rather that the new measures are the result of a belated recognition that too many people are getting away with too much too blatantly. That the Civil Service employees' association should support Government's action is perhaps a promising sign that they are as concerned as the general public about the circulation of reports charging corruption. But then they could hardly have done otherwise.

THEIR chief fear—and it is not without foundation—must be that witch-hunting could develop, even though this is clearly not Government's intention. Special care will have to be taken against this. It is obvious that the Governor has no desire to turn himself into an Orvellian Big Brother, but he will have to receive information from someone in the department in which the suspected individual works before he can call a person to account. Nor can the director of a department always be expected to pinpoint possible offenders. Reports will have to come from subordinates, and therein lies the danger. Many a Government employee knows or suspects his colleague to be involved in corruption. And far from pure and upright motives may prompt him to disclose this information. Among some minor despots there is even the danger of blackmail developing.

Another weakness of the new regulations is that they will force corruption into ever more secretive channels and its gains will be more and more carefully disguised. The man who now buys an expensive car may in future remit his excess cash abroad—or turn it into jade or jewels for his wife. But he is obviously going to see Government's new measures as a challenge and take steps to conceal whatever mischief he has been up to.

THESE observations are not intended as criticism of Government's decision so much as an attempt to point out some of the difficulties. Government's feeling is probably that their chief importance lies in their power of deterrence. And the public while recognising the danger, will be pleased that they signify more determined action. Most people are inclined to be very cynical about the extent of corruption in Hongkong. And their personal experiences recounted endlessly give the impression that the Civil Service is riddled with bad and greedy men. If Government means these measures to be used properly the public deserves to know the results. A man who has taken a bribe cannot expect to be shielded on his way out of the Colony. Exposure is the most shameful of all punishments.

PLANE CRASH KILLS 48

Explodes After Take-Off

Bordeaux, Sept. 25.

A French airliner crashed and burned shortly after takeoff last night, killing 48 people. Airfield officials said the other 12 passengers and crewmen aboard the aircraft were injured, some "gravely."

The aircraft was a DC-7 of Transport Aeriens Intercontinentaux airlines.

The officials said the four-engine plane had been aloft only about 60 seconds when it was shaken by a "tremendous explosion."

They said the airliner, en route on a flight from Paris to Bamako in the French Sudan, appeared to have had engine trouble during the takeoff. French Air Force officers stationed at the field reported the stricken aircraft, following the explosion, dove into a clump of pine trees about three miles from the end of the runway.

'ROARING FURNACE'
The exploding aircraft mowed down about 50 trees when it struck earth.

Flames belched from the broken fuselage. The fire spread to nearby undergrowth, blocking firemen and rescue squads.

Once they broke through the flaming undergrowth, rescuers were halted by gasoline-fed flames engulfing the twisted wreckage.

Veteran airman Jean Peylet, one of the first rescuers at the scene, said the airliner "turned into a roaring furnace."

He and other eyewitnesses said the only survivors were apparently those passengers or crewmen flung from the plane when it hit the ground.

The airliner had stopped here to pick up 20 passengers and crew.

Airport and local aviation officials immediately began an investigation of the cause. Crewmen found a badly burned teenage girl standing weeping at the edge of the flaming wreckage area.

The girl, tentatively identified as Catalina Paoletti, 16, cried, "Mama... Mama... Mama..."

Rescuers said it was believed her mother was killed in the crash.

Wreckage was strewn hundreds of yards around the impact spot.—UPI.

Car Crashes Into Shop



Woman And Boy Injured

A Chinese woman and a Chinese boy sustained slight injuries at 8.30 a.m. today when they were knocked down by a private car, Licence No. HK9605, in Hollywood Road near its junction with Old Bailey Street.

The car, which was coming down Old Bailey Street, went out of control and smashed into the show window of No. 25 Hollywood Road, destroying some pottery.

The injured woman and boy were treated at Queen Mary Hospital but were not detained.

LUNAR PROJECT SETBACK

Washington, Sept. 24. The destruction of the rocket which the United States hopes to send to the moon next month depressed Washington today.

The timing of the mishap could not have been more unfortunate, officials acknowledged, occurring as it did on the eve of President Eisenhower's week-end talks with Mr. Nikita Khrushchev at Camp David.

The total destruction of the rocket on the launching pad at Cape Canaveral has set back the U.S. lunar project by at least a month.

Officials asserted that the delay would not seriously interfere with the space probe programme, but they acknowledged the psychological effect of the further widening of the gap between U.S. and Soviet scientific achievements.

The blow to U.S. hopes occurred shortly after President Eisenhower had met his chief diplomatic advisers for a two-hour review of the problems expected to come up at the Camp David talks.—Reuters.

Driver Who Tried To Avoid One, Hit Seven

A driver who swerved to avoid a man on a road and knocked down seven people, was fined \$600 by Mr. A. J. Sanjurjo at Central Magistrate's court today.

The defendant was Lam Wing-sun, 34, of 70 Cornua Road. The accident occurred on Shaukwan Road on May 5. Defendant pleaded guilty. He was disqualified for a year.

Tories Worried Over New Election Issue

Financial Deals That Went Astray

By FRASER WIGHTON
Reuters Political Correspondent

London, Sept. 24. A new and unexpected issue has cropped up in the General Election campaign—big private financial deals which have gone wrong and worried thousands of small investors.

Trouble over these transactions—involving millions of pounds—has pushed the election off the front pages of the newspapers.

Police fraud squad investigators held a big conference at Scotland Yard today on the affairs of a big building society which advanced loans to a group of companies controlled by financier, Mr. Harry Jasper. The society has since announced that £3.9 million is outstanding.

Labour politicians are now citing these transactions as examples of what can happen under the Conservative policy of free enterprise.

A Pledge
Conservatives, alarmed at the effect this new development might have on voters, quickly pledged that if returned to power they would look into abuses in the company system.

Mr. Morgan Phillips, Labour Party Secretary, told a press conference today that take-over bids could easily become a real social evil, because their aim was quick profit, not economic development.

Mr. Phillips commented: "This so-called free economy is under the searchlight at the moment. I think it fair to say the whole question of these take-over bids does merit some serious consideration. The interests of minority shareholders and small investors must be adequately protected."

He thought the disciples of the "so-called uncontrolled free enterprise, leave-everything-to-the-individual" were really facing a situation where they were asking for complete power not only in their own enterprises but over the means and resources of the individual minority shareholder, who was unprotected.

Review Of Law

A Conservative central office spokesman replying to Mr. Phillips' comments on take-over bids, said the answer to the whole subject was contained in the Conservative manifesto.

"It would appear Mr. Phillips is suddenly aware of it, whereas we have always been conscious of a need to keep under review the law relating to this particular kind of activity. We have said we shall appoint a committee to review the Companies Act, the last review was 10 years ago," the spokesman said.

HUME RELATES HIS CRIMES AT MURDER TRIAL

Tells Judge 'Get Lost'

Winterthur, Sept. 24. Donald Brian Hume, on trial for the murder of a Swiss taxi-driver, told the court here today he robbed the Midland Bank in Brentford, London, and shot a clerk.

He also admitted killing Stanley Setty, car dealer, out of jealousy, sawing off his limbs and making them into parcels to be dropped from a plane.

(He served eight years of a 12-year sentence as an accessory after being acquitted of the Setty murder—to which he afterwards confessed in a London Sunday newspaper).

In a series of court outbursts, the 39-year-old ex-convict told the judge to "get lost," and said he would "rip him to bits."

ANSWERS

To questions by the judge, Hume, being tried under the name of Brown, said he had stolen machine-guns from a British arsenal "for Ireland."

★ Sold his story of the Setty murder to a newspaper for £2,000.

★ Photographed an airport house in Maine, U.S., and sold the pictures to the East Germans.

★ Carried a message from his fellow-prisoner Dr. Klaus Fuchs, the atom spy, to his father in East Germany.

Hume, brought to the court-house in chains, grinned and winked at pressmen but when returning after the lunch recess



DONALD HUME

he lunged at a photographer. Only the guards jumped between them.

A five-count indictment accuses Hume of murder, attempted murder, armed robbery of a Zurich bank, threatening people's lives and breaking the aliens regulations.

APOLOGISED

After the recess, the court president, Dr. Hans Gut, told the 12 jurors that Hume had apologised to him for his behaviour, and he had accepted this.

Hume, who wore a fawn suit and appeared in court smiling, began with back-answers to the judge's preliminary questions, as delivered through Dr. Wach, the court interpreter.

Asked whether he was named Brown, formerly known as Hume, he replied "you ask a silly question, and you get a silly answer," and told Dr. Wach to "get a pair of thicker spectacles."

He then said he objected to one of the jurors, who told the court he had never seen Hume before.

Asked if he was married and had a child, Hume replied "yes, but it was not mine."

The father was Stanley Setty, (Hume divorced his wife Mary, nee Wright, in 1951).

He said there had been "holier-than-thou" with my papers" and that a Scotland Yard report must have been prepared by "some inspector who wants to blacken my name."

When Dr. Gut asked where Setty was, Hume caused laughter among British journalists with the reply "he is not around any more."

Asked how Setty died, he said "violence," adding that he was willing to give the facts if he

CORRUPTION: 'THE PUBLIC MUST CO-OPERATE'

CHINA MAIL REPORTER

Unless the public co-operates with the new Government Order relating to the prevention of corruption in the public service, the order will be worth no more than the paper it is written on, a Civic leader said this morning.

Mr. Hilton Cheong-leen, member of the Civic Association and Urban Council told the China Mail, "The community expects that the general order will be applied vigorously when it is warranted, but not, as already stated, for witch hunting."

Government announced the order yesterday. It provides that any officer who is obviously living beyond his means may have to face a tribunal of inquiry to explain how he is able to do so. Failure to provide a reasonable explanation will result in dismissal or compulsory retirement, subject to approval.

SUPPORTED

Mr. Cheong-leen said "Government is obviously taking determined steps to stamp out corruption in the Civil Service. This move is warmly supported by the public, and the Chinese Civil Servants' Association should be commended for supporting it too."

He added, "The co-operation of the public is absolutely necessary. If they do not co-operate the General Order will be worth no more than the paper it is written on."

"It is just as wrong to tempt a Civil Servant with bribes as it is for them to accept it," he concluded.

CAMPAIGN

Mr. Brook Bernacchi, Urban Councilor and Chairman of the Reform Club, suggested the institution of a moral re-education campaign similar to the Urban Council's Health Education campaign, as a basis for educating the public that offering bribes is wrong.

This would be building up "a sense of moral guilt in the giving and taking of a bribe. This is almost completely absent in Hongkong today," he added.

"We are encouraged that Government has at last taken substantial and unprecedented steps in their endeavour to stamp out corruption in the Government service."

"The position has reached the stage that to my knowledge one department of Government has not always been able to accept conclusions of fact already reached by another."

"On the other hand, regulations to enable the apparent display of wealth by a comparatively junior government servant may only result in the corrupt official remitting his illicit gains out of the Colony and keeping them for a later date when he decides to retire."

He also urged the anti-corruption squad of the Hongkong Police be a separate body.

Mr. Bernacchi added: "The Reform Club feels that the time has come for the appointment of a strong committee to inquire into the whole position of corruption in Hongkong—in camera if necessary—to make positive recommendations to Government."



Why do they hate this woman?

AT this year's splendid and colourful royal wedding in Brussels there was one woman for whom the Belgians hold little love.

Princess Lillane de Rethy, wife of ex-King Leopold, and step-mother of the bridegroom, Prince Albert.

Ever since her wartime marriage to Leopold the princess has been the subject of bitter controversy.

This was fanned to a new fury by the events that preceded the wedding, and which embroiled the Belgian monarchy in so grave a crisis that many wondered if it could survive.

THE CHARGES AGAINST HER

Why do so many Belgians hate her?

● **THEY BLAME HER** for marrying Leopold during the German occupation of the country.

● **THEY BLAME HER** for taking the place of the much-loved Queen Astrid, whose portrait is still in many homes.

● **THEY BLAME HER** for taking the title—Princess de Rethy—sometimes used by Queen Astrid when travelling incognito.

● **THEY BLAME HER** for king-making ambitions on behalf of her son by her marriage with Leopold.

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Exercise A Success

The combined Police and Military internal security exercise last night had been most successful and had provided valuable training and close liaison between the Police and the Services, an official announcement said this morning.

KING'S PRINCESS

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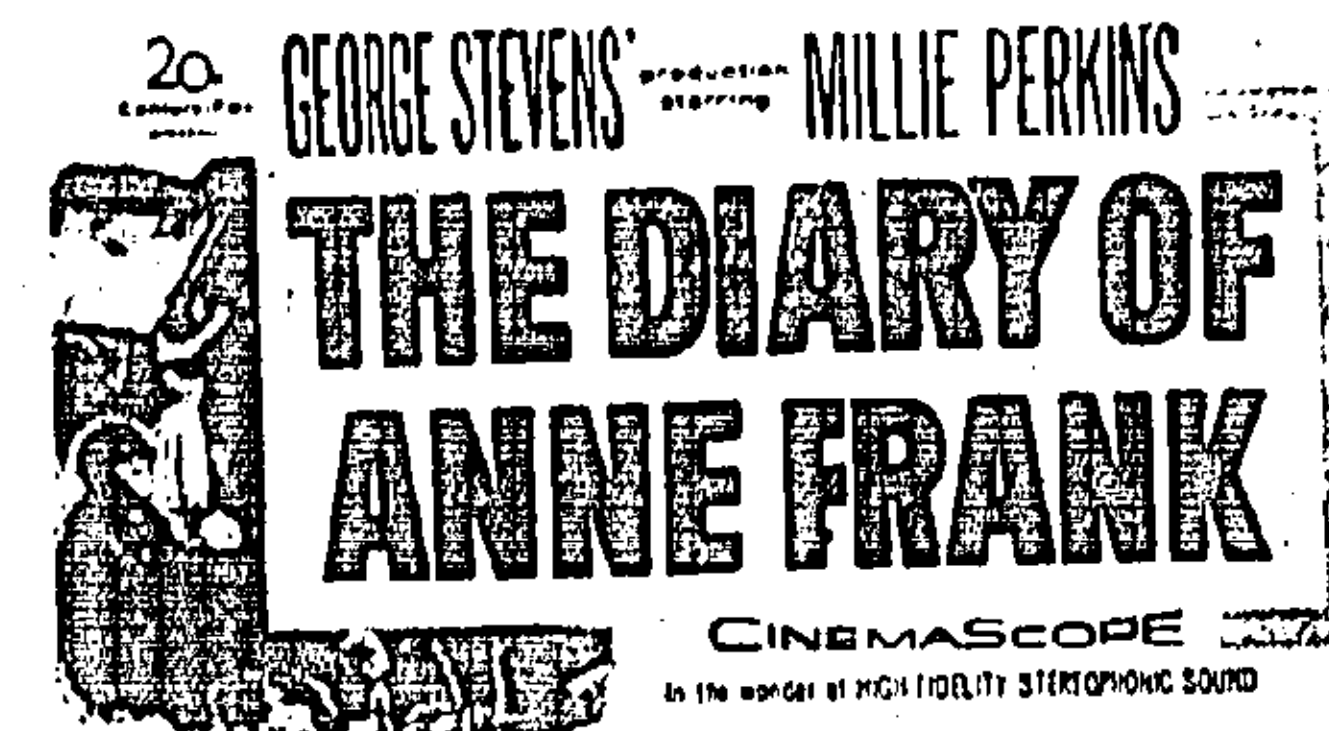
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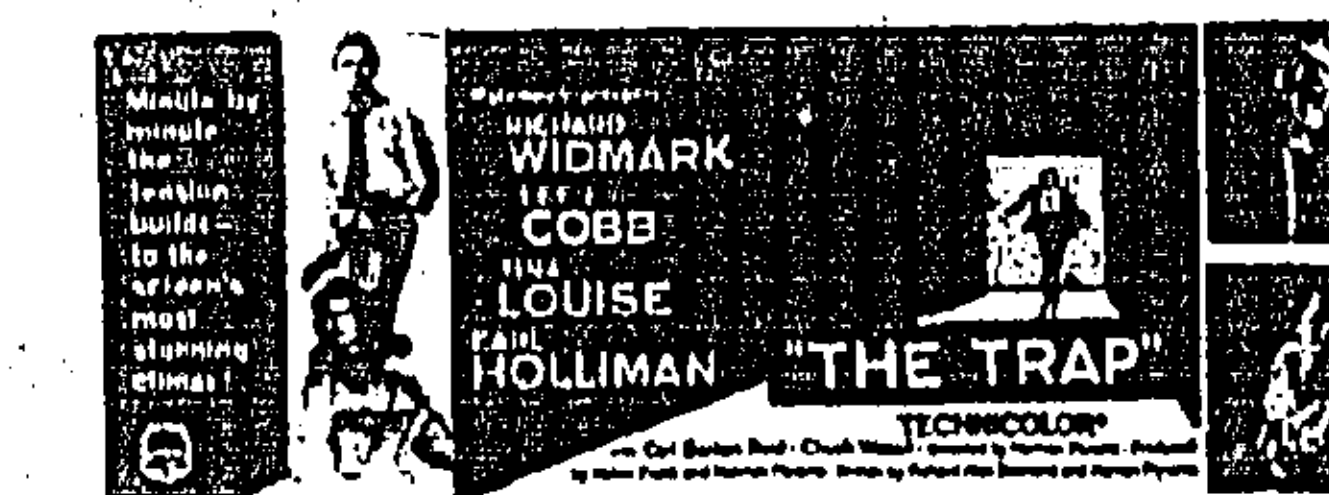
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Drama In Operating Theatre As Doctor Decides Twins' Fate

Chicago, Sept. 24.

A team of surgeons today sacrificed the life of a Siamese twin girl in order to give the other a chance to survive. Doctors at Children's Memorial Hospital discovered that the five-day-old, face-to-face daughters of Mr and Mrs Elvin Schultz of Chestertown, Indiana, shared the same heart and liver.

In an operating room decision, they elected to give the vital organs to Marie Ellen, who appeared to have the best chance to live.

The other abdomen-joined twin, Mary Helen, had to give up her life.

Despite the sacrifice, Marie Ellen's chances were "very slim," according to the surgeon-in-chief, Dr Willis J. Potts.

Although the baby was breathing by herself, the doctors feared they would lose their gamble and she, too, would die.

Four Hours

Dr Potts headed a team of four surgeons, two nurses and two anesthetists during the four-hour operation.

The children's 28-year-old father waited in the hospital. Dr Potts had told him of the chances and Schultz gave him permission to carry out the operation.

Dr Potts, an acquaintance of the father for 11 years, said

SECOND TWIN DIES

Chicago, Sept. 24.

Surgeons lost a battle tonight to save the lives of five-day-old Siamese twin girls who were born sharing the same heart and liver.

Doctors announced that Marie Ellen, who was given the vital organs in a separation operation, had joined her sister, Mary Helen, in death.—UPI.

"I've never had such a heart-jerking experience in my life."

The life-or-death decision was made after Dr Potts cut an incision in the chests of both girls and discovered that Mary Helen, the smaller of the babies, had a lung the size of an adult's little finger.

"The little one couldn't live, anyway," Dr Potts said. "The attitude of medical surgery is that every child is entitled to a chance to live—if there is a chance. So we gave Marie her chance."

Heart Deformed

Dr Potts said Marie Ellen's future is uncertain because her heart is deformed. She will not be able to run and play like other children. Corrective heart surgery is not possible for two or three years.

Dr Potts himself told the father what had happened.

"He was shaken but he took it in a very sensible way," Dr Potts said.—UPI.

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JAN PEERCE GIVES HALF-HOUR BONUS

By W. BYRD

JAN Pearce finished his programme at the Loke Yew Hall some time around 10.45 p.m. At 11.15, he was still on the platform, laughing and joking with a wildly enthusiastic audience, giving encore after encore with a voice that seemed to improve with every item.

Jan Pearce perhaps does not know this, but to have a Hong-kong audience wildly cheering music is something I thought never to hear. But there it is. They applauded again and again, and Jan Pearce responded again and again.

What is the reason for this? First, Jan Pearce not only has a very fine voice, but he is a supreme artist. His programme was selected in such a fashion that it ranged over every mood and cadence of music, beginning in the quiet melodies, according to dramatic lyric, soaring to the recitative and aria.

Perfect is a word we cannot use of the arts, but superb artistry is permitted. And while the Loke Yew Hall is no place to take such a voice as Jan Pearce possesses, even so, the control he wielded even over such pianissimo passages in Adagio Alla Madre was apparent, until one longed to hear him on his home ground at the Metropolitan.

★ ★ ★

Tenors as a rule fall into two groups, the dramatic and the lyric. Usually the quality of the voice, training, desire, advice, sends a tenor one way or the other.

So it was that at one and the same time we had Caruso and John McCormack.

But, as I hinted earlier, Jan Pearce, recognises none of these limitations. So he achieves a true lyric tone, especially in the upper registers, while the voice ranges over all tones in the dramatic recitals.

I suggest, that is the second reason. Never can an audience have been so pleased, so much, all the time.

The third reason is the faultless passing from one register to another without a sudden change of tone. Even when the composer plays unfair, and sends the tenor downstairs to "talk" his notes, Jan Pearce retains a rich quality of tone.

★ ★ ★

The fourth reason is, Jan Pearce is not only a great artist, but a very nice person, and this he displayed with his informal chat and his generous bounty of encores.

In such a programme, it is difficult to say what was best, and what was best is a matter of opinion. I preferred Schubert, for he wrote for such an event as was given last night. The selections from opera were great, but here we need the dramatic subtleties of the orchestra, against which such a voice as Jan Pearce's would respond with added lustre.

POP—Shark Practice



POP—Shark Practice



Tragic End For Son Of Ill-fated Family

Tulsa, Oklahoma, Sept. 24. Tragedy has once again struck the ill-fated family of the late ambassador John E. Peurifoy. John Clinton Peurifoy, who miraculously survived a 1955 car accident in Thailand that claimed the lives of his father and brother, died on Wednesday night.

Young Peurifoy, 19, was the last surviving child of the late prominent United States diplomat and his widow, Mrs Betty Jane Cox Peurifoy, of Tulsa.

The youth was born a spastic and was confined to a wheel chair most of his life.

His favourite. When his father was ambassador to Greece, Queen Frederica told the boy: "In school the best pupil is always given the hardest problems to solve. God gave you the hardest problem of all, so you must be his favourite pupil."

The ambassador and his youngest son, Daniel, 9, were killed when their car collided with a truck on a road outside Bangkok. John was seriously injured.—UPI.

Explosives

Singapore, Sept. 24. The discovery of 300 pounds of explosives on a deserted beach in Singapore has spurred intensive investigations by police and military authorities.

A customs land patrol yesterday found the explosives, packed in seven flour bags with no identification marks, hidden under some bushes.

The explosives were later dumped into the sea after being examined by army experts.

Police said the strip of beach where the explosives were discovered was frequented by smugglers in the past.—Reuter.

Hume Murder Trial

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was not to be tried for the Setty murder again.

JEALOUSY

He said he fought Setty, with a knife out of jealousy after finding him with his wife. It was put to him that he had previously claimed the quarrel was due to Setty kicking his dog, and he answered that he had given out both stories.

Later he saved off Setty's head and legs and the parcels were thrown from a plane.

The president later asked if it was correct that in August 1958, Hume had robbed a bank. Hume gave no reply at first but after speaking with his lawyer, he said he had robbed the Midland Bank at Brentford.

BANK ROBBERY

Hume stated he had spent two or three weeks in London preparing and planning the bank robbery.

President: How did you carry out the bank robbery?

Hume: I went through the door and held up the cashier with the pistol.

President: How did he react?

Hume: He didn't react quickly.

President: What did you do then?

Hume: He (the clerk) thought I was a joke. I showed him I was not kidding. I shot.

President: Did he fall down?

Hume: Yes.

President: What happened then?

Hume: I went through and held up the three other clerks.

President: What did they do?

Hume: I robbed the Midland Bank. I got about £2,500.

President: Is this sufficient for the jury?

Hume admitted for the first time that he had three automatic pistols. Two of these had been taken by the police and the third was still hidden behind the window of the Stadthof Hotel in Zurich with his passport under the name of Brown.

He went back to London in November with two pistols and robbed the bank a second time "purely for revenge." He was surprised by the manager who jumped on him as he ran out.

"We fought for a while and I shot. I did not know how badly he was hurt... but when I went to Canada I found he was in a serious condition, from the newspapers," Hume said.

He agreed that he came to Switzerland a second time, stayed with Frau Sommer, and then went to Canada where he got a job with an electronics firm and passed a security screening.

Returning to Switzerland with about £1,700, he decided to try a bank raid in Zurich. This was "something spontaneous, there was no thought about it."

Hume said: "I must be honest and say that I have no regrets over what has happened in England and I didn't give a damn about what happened over there."

"I did have a conscience, as the judge is undoubtedly aware, over the Swiss raid. I couldn't reconcile myself to doing it. I was going to do it several times but it fell through."

The case was adjourned till tomorrow.

STATEMENT

(Mr Edward Alres, the 52-year-old Manager of the Brentford Branch of the Midland Bank, was shot in the stomach when the bank was raided on November 12, 1958. He was later stated to be recovering from his wound.)

(Mr David Jacobs, of M. A. Jacobs and Sons, solicitors, of Pall Mall, London, tonight issued the following statement:—

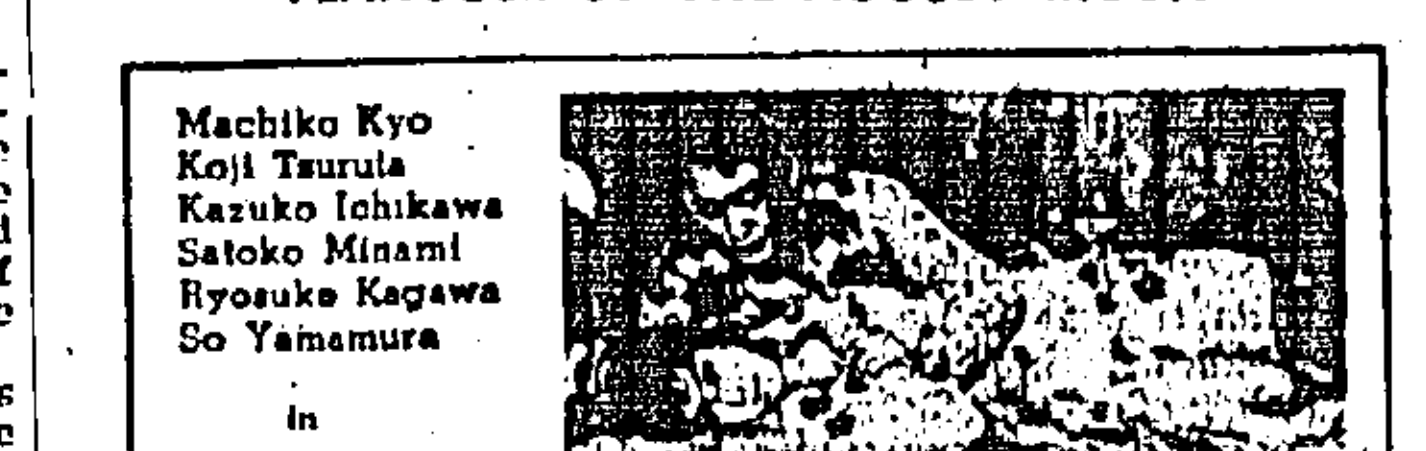
"I have been asked by Mrs Cynthia Webb, formerly the wife of Mr Brian Donald Hume, who is at present on trial in Switzerland for murder, to say that the statement alleged to have been made by Hume during the course of his trial to the effect that Setty is the father of his child is completely untrue and Mrs Hume, as she then was, gave evidence at the Central Criminal Court, when in 1959 Hume was on trial for the murder of Stanley Setty, that she had never met Setty in her life. In 1951 Mrs Webb's marriage with Hume was dissolved on the ground of her husband's cruelty and he is the father of her child.")

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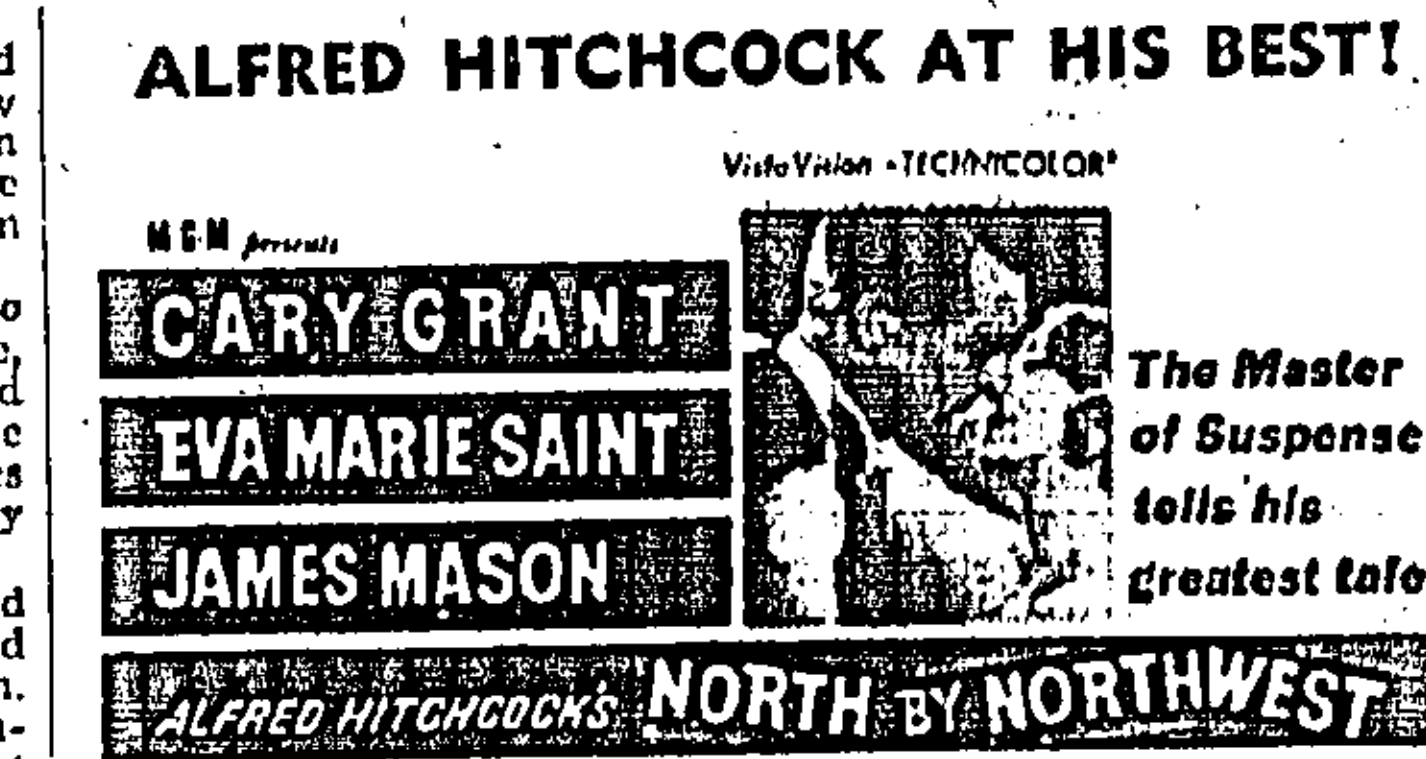


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United Nations, Sept. 24.

ISRAEL warned the United Nations today that the warlike attitude of the Arab countries, led by the United Arab Republic, has "taken on new and ominous forms."

Swinburn Not In Pay Of Government

London, Sept. 24. The British Foreign Office spokesman today told his Press conference that Mr James Swinburn, the British subject released this week under an amnesty from gaol in Egypt, was not in the pay of the British Government at the time of his conviction on espionage charges.

The spokesman was asked whether the statement signed by Swinburn under interrogation in Egypt in 1953 that he passed information to the British Embassy at Cairo but had not been paid for it was correct.

OWN VIEWS
The spokesman replied that he could say that Swinburn was not in the pay of the British Government.

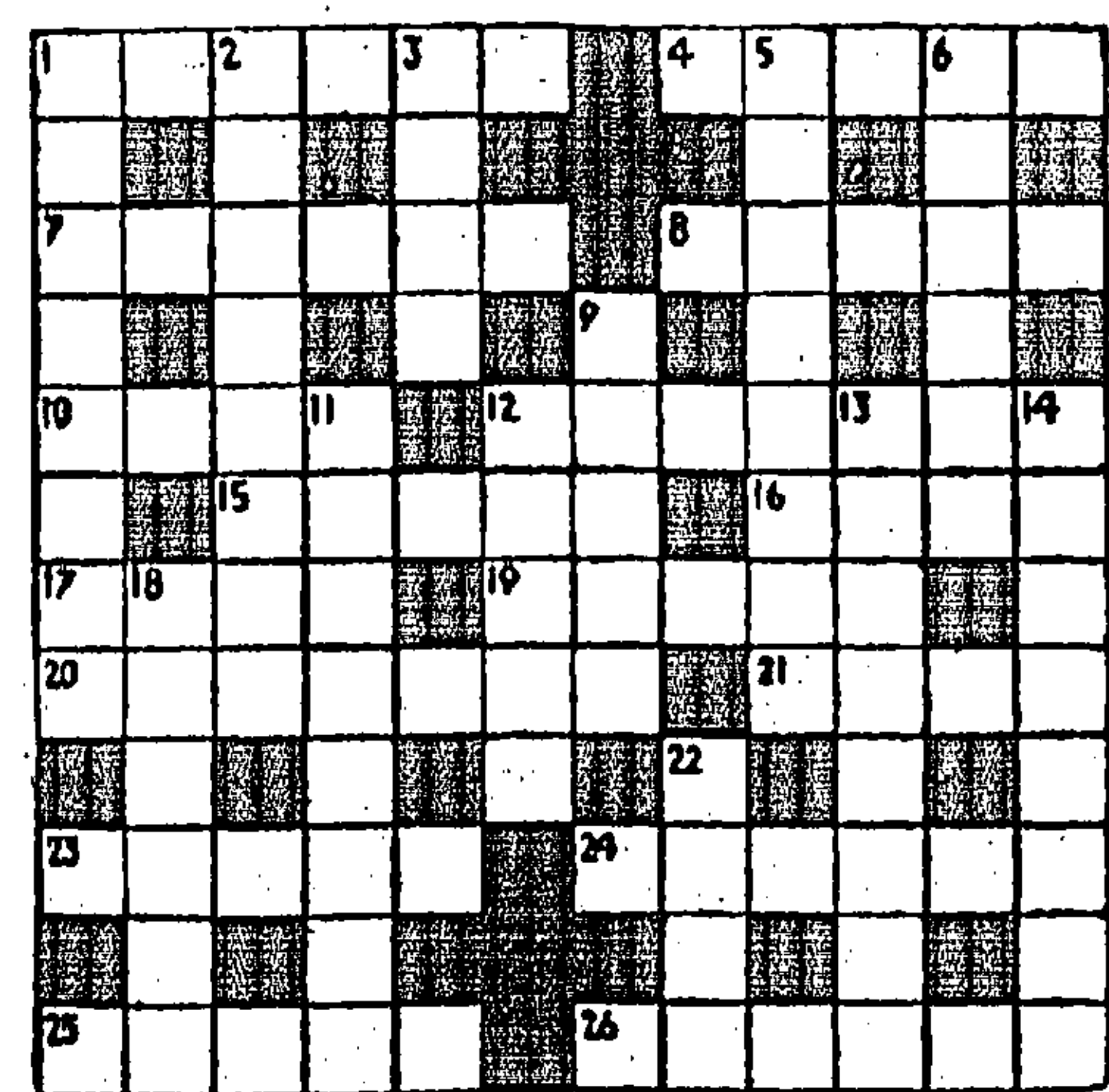
He added that any British subject living in a foreign country for as long as 30 years was likely to get to know the staff of his own embassy.

There would be nothing improper in his giving his views about the country of his residence so long as he did not transmit anything of a secret nature.

Mr Swinburn was arrested in Cairo in the autumn of 1956 on espionage charges and was later sentenced to five years' imprisonment with hard labour. — China Mail Special.

London, Sept. 24. Peter Frogtatt, 12, entered a fruit cake in the Shrewsbury Horticultural Society's holding contest and won first place over 18 entries by housewives including his mother. — UPI.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Game reinforcements? (6).
 - It's only fit for pigs! (5).
 - A.D. fashion to the Navy (6).
 - Stoppers for song writers? (6).
 - Ridden at the seaside (4).
 - Learned (7).
 - An ointment (5).
 - Singles (4).
 - He's partly divorced! (4).
 - She returns looking just the same (8).
 - Quite satisfied with what's inside (7).
 - Back answer? (4).
 - Acknowledges (5).
 - Suez same troops (6).
 - Counterfeit in the smithy (6).
 - Girl in the Civil Service on the Riviera (6).
- DOWN**
- Tame servant? (8).
 - Man-made shelter (8).
 - Trot up a legal wrong (4).
 - Water supply completed? (6).
 - Congrats! (4).
 - Ambassador (6).
 - Last case river (5).
 - Distant object of little value (8).
 - Keeper Godfrey (5).
 - Lack of movement (8).
 - Embraces a cause (8).
 - Black magic! (6).
 - One name for a girl among several (4).

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION: Across: 3. Censored, 8. Collins, 9. Sings, 11. Impotent, 12. R.E.M.E. (-dy), 13. Pella, 14. S.I.A.-n, 15. Even, 22. Dipores, 24. Emburace, 25. Arm-Adn, 26. Tempura. Down: 1. Serp, 2. Silps, 3. Castles, 4. Eric, 5. Sent, 6. Rooked, 7. Duties, 10. Gnat, 14. Lufin, 15. Sappers, 16. Desert, 17. Mithun, 20. Broad, 21. Debar, 23. Deal, 24. Bear.

'KITCHEN DEBATE' NOT CONTINUED IN WASHINGTON

Washington, Sept. 24.

Mr Nikita Khrushchev met Vice-President Richard Nixon at a glittering reception at the Soviet Embassy tonight, but the two men failed to continue the famous "kitchen debate" they held in Moscow last July.

When the Soviet Prime Minister told Mr Nixon that the Soviet Union was "completely in the open" as far as politics were concerned, the Vice-President abruptly turned the conversation to a discussion of Mr Khrushchev's visit to the Iowa corn fields.

Six hundred guests representing the cream of Washington's diplomatic set, the United States Government and other prominent Americans, were invited to the 90-minute function given by Mr Mikhail Menshikov, the Soviet Ambassador.

Mr Khrushchev appeared in good spirits throughout, spending almost an hour moving through the crowded reception rooms.

Good Trip
To a reporter who asked whether he was not tired and glad that his eight-day cross-country tour was over, Mr Khrushchev replied: "Everything must have an end, good things and bad things, and my trip was a good trip. I enjoyed it very much."

Mr Khrushchev and Mr Nixon, who engaged in the famous "kitchen debate" when the Vice-President was in Moscow in July to open the U.S. national exhibition, greeted each other like long-lost friends.

"You have too much energy," Mr Nixon told the Soviet leader as he shook his hand warmly.

"I have some in reserve, too," the Premier replied with a grin. He made a gesture with his hand at knee level, and added: "We always say we have so much below the ground."

An Iceberg
"Like an iceberg," Mr Nixon quipped, adding quickly: "But I don't mean polio." Mr Khrushchev replied: "We are completely in the open as far as politics are concerned. You can look from different angles."

Rebels Heading For Laos' Royal Capital

Vientiane, Sept. 24.

Rebel units were reported today to be heading for the royal capital of Luang Prabang, 140 miles north of here, and the Laotian army began airlifting the second paratroop battalion from the beleaguered fortress of Sam Neua to meet the threat.

The commander of Sam Neua, 120 miles east of Luang Prabang, said it had been reported that the rebel units, being chased north by the Laotian army, had suddenly veered south and were heading for the royal seat.

But military observers said it was believed there was no imminent threat to the picturesque city, where the aging 74-year-old King Sisavang Vong has his court.

JOINING UP
The Laotian Army Commander, Brigadier General Ouan Rattikone, today, flew to Luang Prabang to inspect the province's defences.

According to army sources it is believed that rebel units from Sam Neua Province may join up with rebel bands already operating along river valleys leading to the royal capital.

These bands have been strengthened by 100 former members of the Pathet Lao army who re-joined the Laotian army last year, but deserted two months ago, taking arms with them.

Military observers thought it unlikely that the rebels would launch a major attack while the four-nation United Nations fact-finding team is here. — Reuter.

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Scandinavian Kings Now In RAF

London, Sept. 24.

The kings of Norway, Sweden and Denmark have been appointed Honorary Air Chief Marshals of the Royal Air Force, the official London Gazette announced.

The announcement said the Queen had approved appointments of King Olav V of Norway, King Gustaf VI Adolf of Sweden and King Frederik IX of Denmark, to take effect immediately.

The commissioning parades were to be held to the monarchs by the British Ambassadors to their countries. The Scandinavian kings all hold similar honorary appointments in the Royal Navy and the British Army.

ADMIRALS
They are all honorary admirals and their army appointments are: King Olav, Colonel-in-Chief of the Grenadier Guards and Honorary Colonel of the Royal Artillery Regiment of the Territorial Army; King Frederik, Colonel-in-Chief of the Buffs and King Gustaf, Colonel-in-Chief of the Camerons.

Commenting on the new appointments, the Air Ministry said they marked the "close and cordial relations" existing between the Royal Air Force and the air forces of the three Scandinavian countries. — China Mail Special.

Peaceful Uses Of A-Radiation

London, Sept. 24.

The United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority (AEA) announced tonight a pilot plant for testing peaceful uses of atomic radiation would be in operation before the end of the year.

The Authority said the plant is expected to be the first of its kind and size in the world. It is being built at Warrington, where the area has a radiation laboratory.

The new plant will try to work out new uses for by-products of nuclear power plants, which emerge in the form of radio-active materials.

Under consideration the AEA said, were possible sterilisation of medical equipment by gamma irradiation and the removal of pests or other infestations such as mould from packaged products by the same method. — UPI.

Discerning Porpoise

Cincinnati, Sept. 24.

The built-in "radar" of a porpoise is surprisingly accurate. The animal can distinguish a six-inch food fish from one 12 inches long.

Dr W. K. Kellogg of Florida State University, Tallahassee, told the American Psychological Association how he had taught a captive porpoise to choose the smaller of two fishes without any aid from vision solely by echoes from the ultrasonic noises made by the porpoise.

After training in 131 trials, the porpoise reached 100 per cent accuracy and kept at this level even when sessions were conducted in complete darkness. — UPI.

NEW YORK REFUSES TO ADVERTISE TOBACCOLESS CIGARETTE

New York, Sept. 24. New York's advertising media have refused advertisements for "Vanguard"—a tobaccoless cigarette, a spokesman of the makers said yesterday.

He described the rejection of the advertising as a "blow in the solar plexus" and added: "We expected some refusals from some media but not a rejection by all of them. The big tobacco companies feel the Vanguard campaign is detrimental to their own products."

The newspaper Variety reported that not a single radio or television station or newspaper in the New York area would accept advertisements for Vanguard, which is filled with a vegetable fibre.

The makers, Bantec Products Corporation, planned a campaign on the theme "Smoke Without Fear." — China Mail Special.

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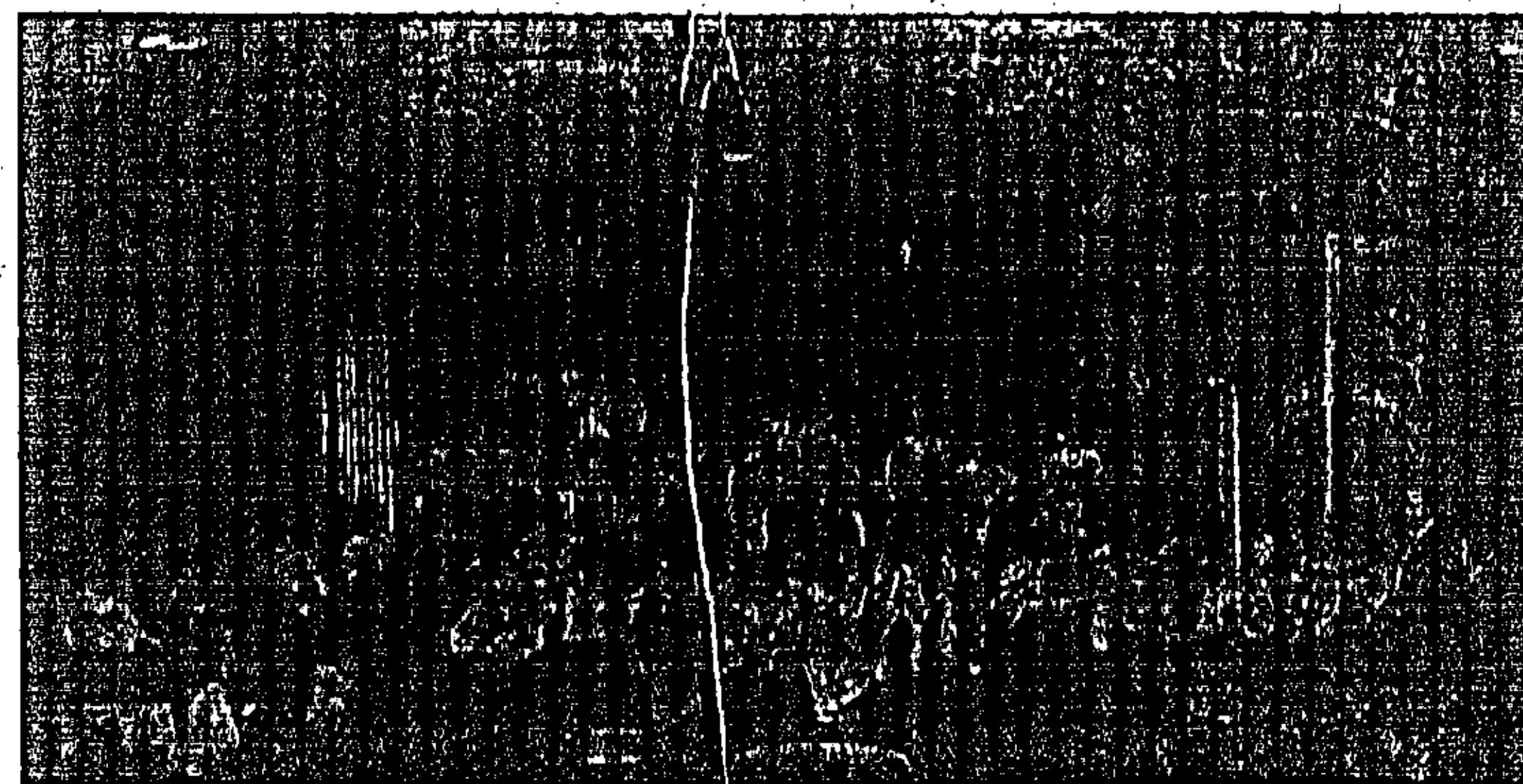
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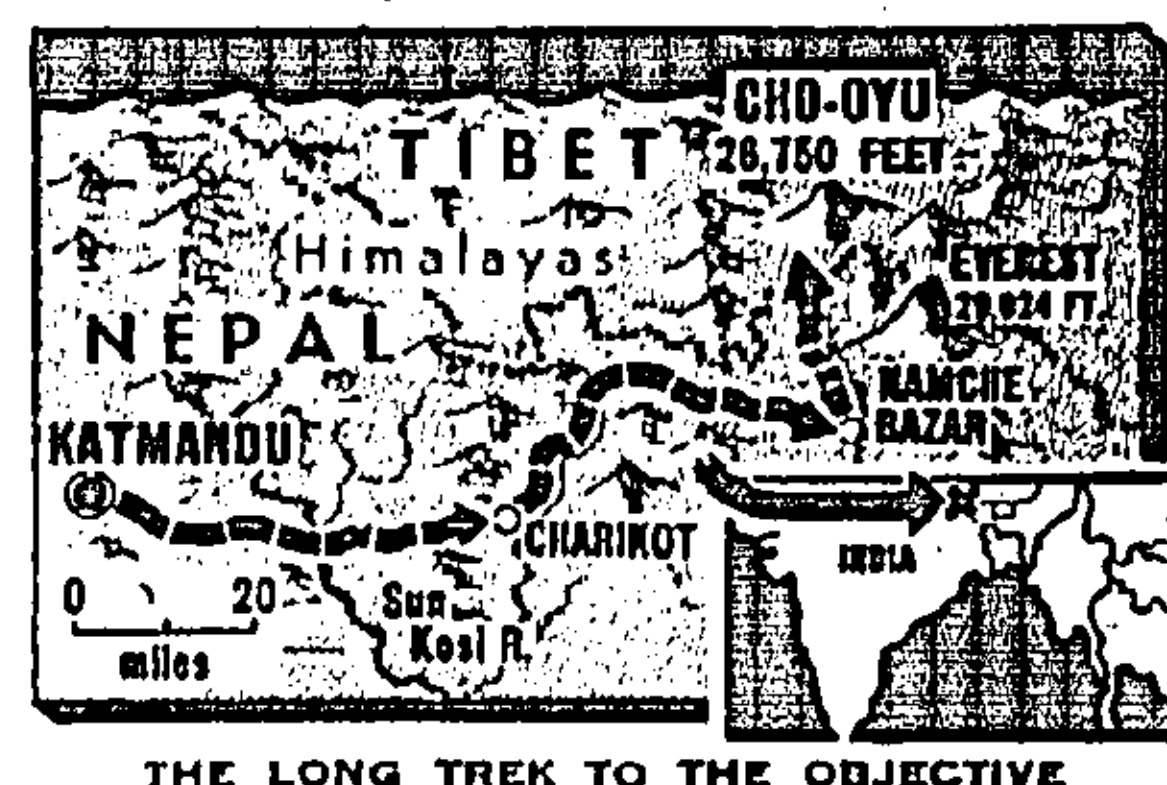
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PARAMOUNT

I'm off—and this lot goes too!

by STEPHEN HARPER



ELEVEN women set out last month on a unique expedition — to climb a 26,750ft Himalayan peak without the help of a single man. Their target is Cho-Oyu (which means Big Head), 20 miles from Everest, which has already cost the lives of several male mountaineers.

Eleven women alone on a mountain — except for their Sherpas. But not quite alone. Where the news goes there is the reporter, and that, in this case, means me.

Distraction

As the women take on their mountain — except for their Sherpas — on the right you can see what it takes to get just one man up a Himalayan mountain.

I shall be the only European man within many days' travelling distance of the 11-woman team. Its leader, Claude Kojan, who is a swim-

suit designer from Nice, is a bit worried about this. "I don't want anything to take my companions' minds off the mountain," she explained.

She was not reckoning on on-the-spot reporting. On the mountain we shall be eight days by runner from the nearest cable-office—in Kathmandu, Nepal. Getting within sight of my quarry is going to be a rugged adventure. Just to get to the Everest area and back again to the nearest road means a walk of 400 miles over rough country ranging up to 14,000ft, and down again to 2,000ft. In the valleys.

So I went shopping to equip myself for two months out of reach of civilisation. It was all strictly kept down to necessities — but even so I shall set out on the dusty road for Kathmandu with more than 30wt. of baggage.

Precaution

I shall need five porters to carry it all—the ten that will be my home, the Army assault rations I shall live on, and the tropical pills to keep me going. One item I had to obtain in London was foot ointment. In the East the bare-foot poor have hardened feet and the foot-stocked rich don't walk, so foot ointment is impossible to get. I

emptied 10 small jars into an aluminium container. A well-equipped first-aid kit is necessary not only in case of accidents but because the travelling sahlab is expected to dispense medicine to the ailing along his route.

I have tablets against malaria, to ward off stomach infection, to solve to combat biting winds of up to 100 miles an hour, cream to shield my face from the heat of sun reflected off glacial ice.

In the heat of the jungle valleys I shall wear locally bought sandals and cotton trousers and bush shirt.

For the mountains I have a wool-lined windproof nylon kit,

a Balachava, leather gloves with silk ones underneath, a woollen socking, climbing boots, and crampers and an ice axe.

Reliable

Only by one, as I eat them out of a job, I shall send porters back to Kathmandu with my stories for cabling to London. I shall also send you news by runners from the villages, under a centuries-old system of communication said to be as reliable as the G.P.O.

"What, no cleft sticks?" said my colleagues, as I set out from the office the other night with my clobber to catch my Comet. No. But there's everything but.

BREAKDOWN BY NUMBERS

KEY TO PICTURE: 1. Balachava; 2. Army assault rations for 26 days; 3. Ice-axe; 4. One ration pack's contents; 5. Cooking things; 6. Typewriter; 7. Rucksack; 8. Crate of biscuits; 9. Water bottle; 10. Camera; 11. Rope; 12. First aid kit; 13. Spare clothes; 14. Grampons for glacier travel; 15. Air bed; 16. Wrist compass, binoculars, dark glasses; 17. Pocket chess set; 18. Mosquito-proof tent; 19. Sleeping bag; 20. Selection of pills.

(London Express Service).



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On Tuesday we gave you the story of 11 women bound for the Himalayan heights. Today, Page Four carries a report by the one man who will accompany them...



Harper, who will be the only white man on the mountain, and his burden. Fortunately he won't be carrying it all himself.

WHITE RUSSIA, WHERE MAIN-ROAD TRAFFIC THRESHES THE CORN! IT'S WHERE SO MANY RUSSIANS WOULD LIKE TO BE...

DOWN ON THE FARM

By JOHN GRIFFITHS

IT had always been Vladimir's ambition to put his engineering qualifications to use on a Kholkhov (collective farm). It was not just that the open-air life appealed to him, but on a collective farm he could, in a way, exercise more control over his own destiny than in any other walk of life.

But getting a Kholkhov job in the Moscow area was not so easy. Vacancies were infrequent and the applicants for them numerous. So while he waited for his chance Vladimir took a post at the Mitishinski tractor repair station.

was the work of the station to sell it to them, together with spares, fuel and major repairs. Minor repairs and maintenance were done by the engineer attached to each farm leaving the station free to keep the types of machinery up to date, and to research into agricultural mechanisation.

After Vladimir had spent a few months at the station working with the special research unit on the mechanical problems of hay gathering in wooded areas a vacancy arose and he applied for it.

While he had worked at the station he had learned more about life on the farm and his chances of getting a job there. He knew that all the applications would be discussed at a general meeting of the farm workers and the best candidate chosen by them.

At first he was rather surprised at this workers' control. He had heard it spoken of in factories, but knew it to be rarely put into practice. Here the workers elected a council that in turn chose a head of the farm.

Applications

The practical running of the farm and any immediate decisions were taken by the chief, but had to be ratified by the executive council and again by a general meeting of all the workers over 18.

If they disagreed with their chief on a major point of policy the workers were free to sack him and choose another. He did not have as much support as he wanted.

The applications would be discussed in just this way, and Vladimir knew that if he was successful he would receive a salary of some 1,100 roubles a month. In addition, as a specialist, there would be a rent-free house waiting for him, for there is no housing problem on the collective farms.

The ordinary agricultural workers rent a house from the farm at a round 200 roubles a month. Those who wish to build their own are given a plot of land and allowed to do so, with the result that a village of charming wooden houses soon springs up. These are the workers' own property and can be passed on to their children.

When Vladimir went to the Kholkhov he ate with the other workers in the free dining hall and listened intrigued to their conversation. Usually this was concerned with the current price of vegetables in the Moscow markets, for each labourer was allowed to cultivate a quite large plot of land and sell the produce for what he could get. The prices in the State shops were controlled, but in the markets a little "capitalist price warfare" was permitted.

It was harvest time, however, so no more talk centred on the chances of earning a bonus. Only a few years ago payment was largely in kind, but now a trained labourer received 800 or 900 roubles a month and liked it far better.

Victor, who had become Vladimir's friend, was grumbling as usual that the agricultural specialist and the chief of the farm had made far too high an estimate of the yield that was the norm of the land his brigade was working on. But despite his grumbles Victor usually managed to earn a 15 per cent bonus each harvest time.

During the harvest, of course, the hours were much longer than usual, just as they are everywhere else in the world. Normally he would work 10 hours a day five days a week, and six hours on Saturday.

With their mechanical harvesting the Moscow farmers rather looked down on their fellows in White Russia, whose method of farming was a standing joke among the sophisticated Muscovites, but it still got results and the soil was better.

In order to thresh some of their grain crops, the White Russian peasants laid out the sheaves in the main road! After sufficient traffic had passed over it to shake out the ears these were swept up into heaps by road and re-spread again. But there was a disappointment awaiting Vladimir and he did not really care how the harvest was gathered. He learned from Victor that the meeting had turned down his application.

Fanciful

It was not that he was not well qualified, but it so happened that a young man of equal skill whose family had lived and worked on the farm for ten years had applied at the same time. Naturally he was chosen for the job.

There was still a chance that he could get a job on a Soviet farm but Vladimir did not care for the idea for, unlike the Kholkhov, it would be run by a head appointed by the government and be far less free and easy. Vladimir returned to the city.

Farming in Russia today is a thriving branch of the economy with more people wanting to join than can. But despite the claims of extensive mechanisation the fact remains that the evidence of one's eyes — I only speak for a small part of Russia — shows most of the work being done manually. Nor was the machinery that I saw of outstanding quality, although the situation is rapidly improving.

It is probably fanciful to remind oneself that the revolt against repeated tyranny in Russia's history has almost invariably begun with peasant discontent. Nevertheless it was in the farming world, that I found most freedom, as we in other countries would know it.

The people I spoke to in country districts were friendly, curious, and outspoken. But far

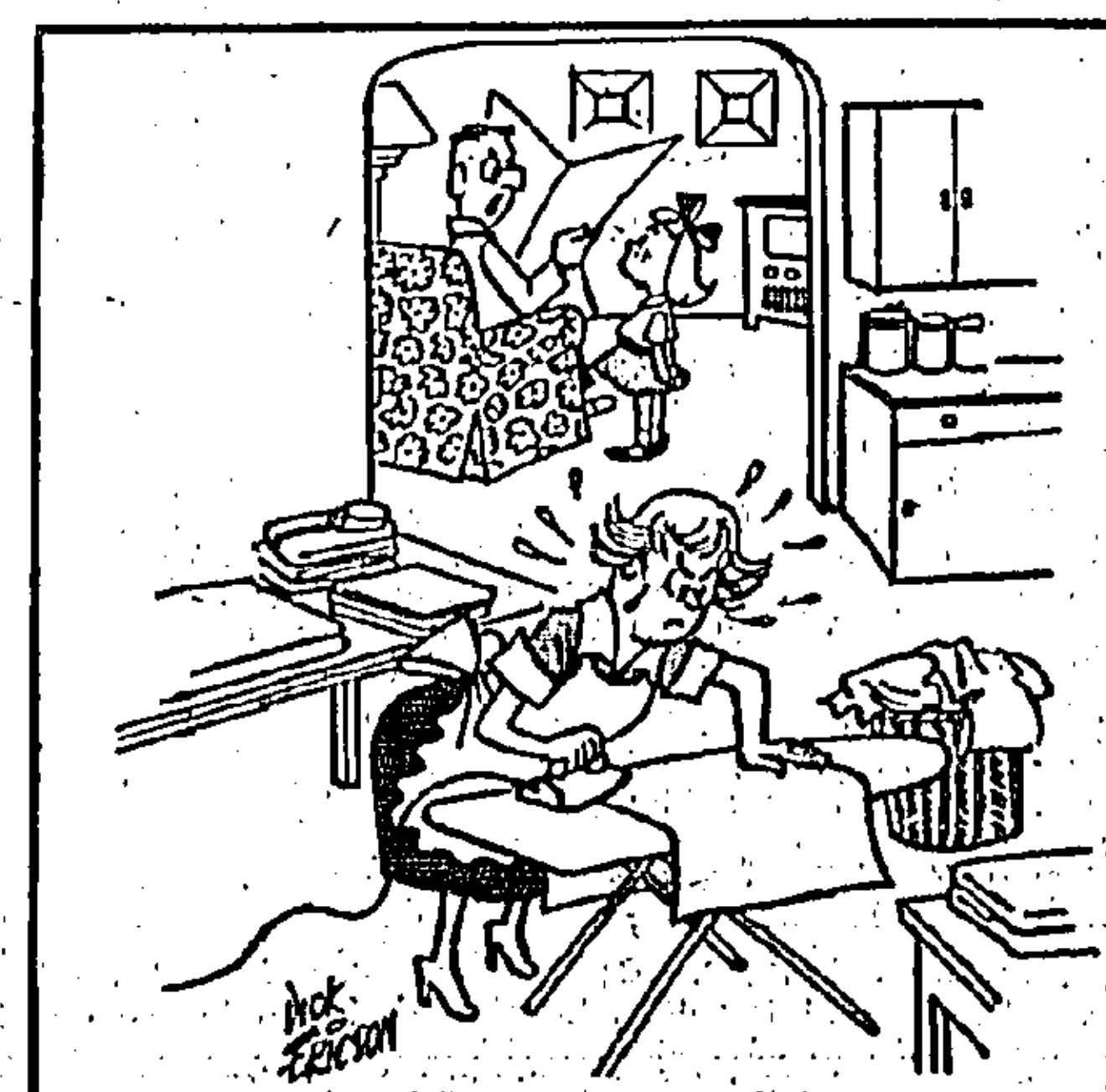
more obstruction was put in the way of a visitor who wished to talk and take photographs in the country, than in the towns.

In view of the distorted manner in which this aspect of Russian life has been so often presented by the Western Press this is not, perhaps, surprising. One incident sticks in my mind. I was one of a party of visitors who came across a group of men and women mending the road by pouring tar into the cracks. Our "guide" tried to prevent us photographing them, and so at first did the workers, who appeared to have been instructed to object.

Their united excuse was that they were not in their best clothes, and so we would represent Russia as a poor country. I suggested that we were not quite such fools as to expect them to go to work in their Sunday best, nor would the people of the West expect it. They laughed, and we were very soon all on excellent terms. Our guide remained unhappy.

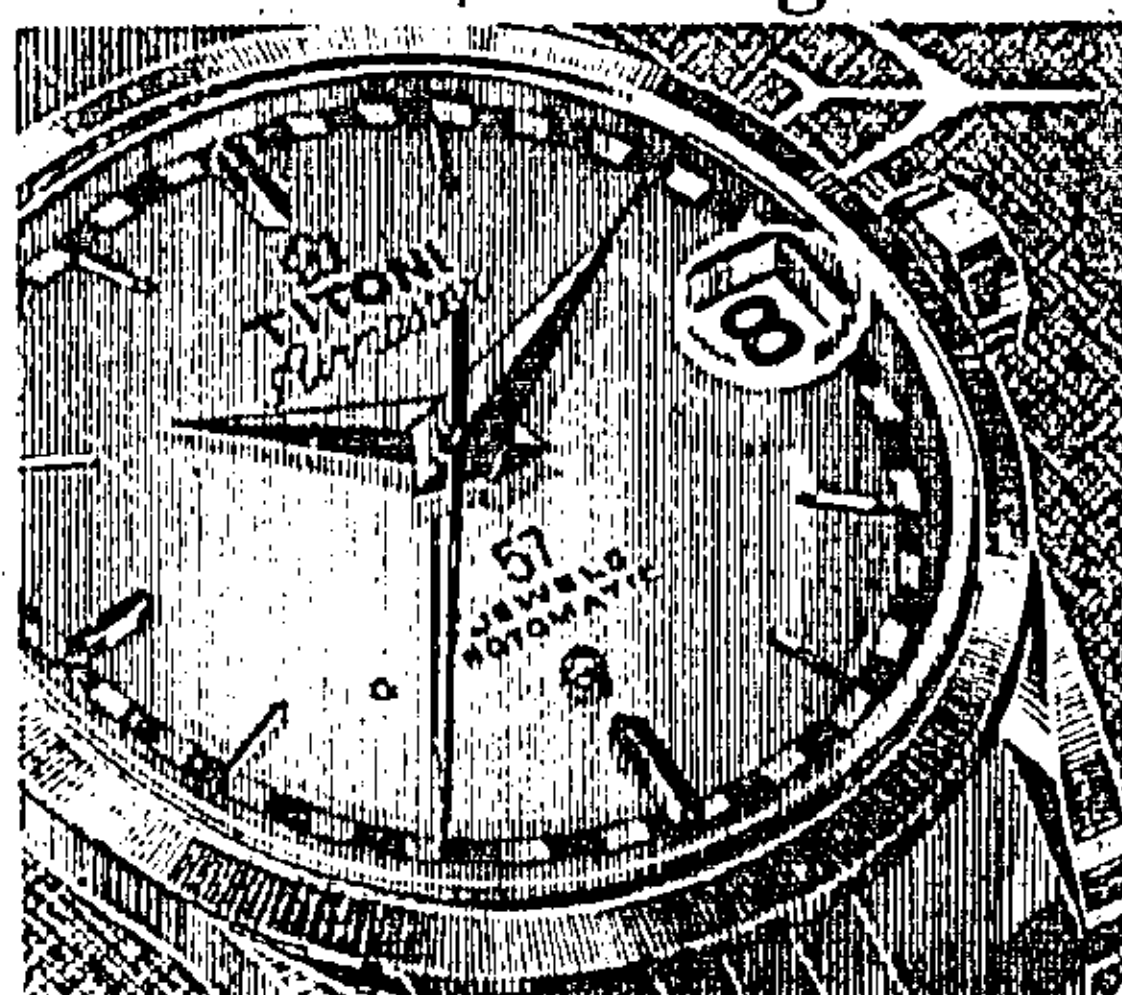
As we left the area I stopped to talk to some women gathering the harvest. "What kind of harvest have you had?" I asked. "A good one—but it is not ours," was the reply.

CHUCKLES



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AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): A hold up on an important job will give you a good opportunity to review the work up to date.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): Your capacity for selfless devotion is a great blessing to those around you who are in need of comfort and human warmth.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Do not get involved too deeply with people born at the beginning of January; such associations may create unpleasant tensions.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Endowed with exceptional physical and moral strength, you are able to cope with most of life's difficulties.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): After having hesitated for a long time between two courses of action, take the bull by the horns and make an immediate decision.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): You are using excellent judgment in your choice of intimate friends and will gather a very congenial group around you.

LEO (July 22-August 21): When in the company of friends it is best not to discuss your own or their financial affairs.

VIRGO (August 22-September 22): Try to avoid being influenced too strongly by the opinion of others; you have enough sense to know what is best for you.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): You may find that an account of long standing has not been settled, and you should go through your papers more carefully.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): By being ready to accept responsibility, you will find that you get much more satisfaction out of life.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): You may be tempted to pass on a confidence; resist the urge and keep your promise not to divulge it to anybody at all.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): Avoid routine jobs today and devote your time to tasks which you have been trying to get at for a long while.

YOUR BIRTHDAY: If this is your birthday there is some hard work ahead of you, but you will be suitably rewarded in due course.

JACOBY on BRIDGE

NORTH's two-club bid was Stayman and asked South to show a four-card major. When South replied with two spades North might well have jumped directly to game, but chose the more conservative raise to three.

With a maximum 17-point no-trump, South was glad to go on to game.

Looking at the North and South hands you can see that there are problems for South. He must lose one trick each in diamonds and clubs and maybe two in hearts.

South decided to try to work out an elimination play to force out a heart lead from West. Failing

NORTH 14		EAST 14	
♠ KJ74	♥ 802	♠ QJ93	♥ 765
♦ K109	♣ Q53	♦ 10974	♣ A62

SOUTH (D)		WEST (D)	
♠ AQ65	♥ K4	♠ A98	♥ QJ10
♦ A92	♣ K10	♦ QJ4	♣ A62

South	West	North	East
1NT	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead—♠ 10

CHRISTMAS

Q—The bidding has been: North East South West
1♣ Pass 2♣ Pass
2♠ Pass ?
A—You, South, hold:
♠ 5 4 3 2 ♣ K J 6 2 ♢ Q 9 4 3

What do you do?
A—Bid two no-trump. Your two-club response was a weak bid and your partner is still trying for game. He has bid your weakest suit and your principal strength such as it is, is in diamonds.

TODAY'S QUESTION

Your partner continues with a bid of three clubs. What do you do now?

Answer Tomorrow



"Why can't we have an electric blanket like other people?"

ALL

WOMAN!

Lolita goes back to the nursery,
for girls are grown up again

Feminascope

BY JILL BUTTERFIELD

BE READY for the return of an old favourite — WOMAN. The kind of woman Renoir, Goya, and Rubens saw and left us memories of. Woman mature, developed, and voluptuous. You may remember her. Now with a sweep of the scissors the couturiers have killed the little, lost Lolita children, the boy-girl delinquents they've spent the last few years creating. So this year's ideal is all-woman. The girl who's really grown up — upwards of 30 years, outwards of 36 inches. She has the whole of Paris to pick from, for, startlingly, fashion is being geared to the female. And those clothes that looked crazy on anyone over the age of consent are back where they came from — the nursery. For the

first time in years a curve isn't a curse. You can't wear in-and-out evening dresses unless they have something to undulate over. You need the help of a bosom, a curve of hip, a long length of thigh. For the first time in years maturity is an unmixed blessing. You can't go on being a tousled child-bride type in a strict suit. To get by with all that tweed and tailoring you need far more sophisticated sex appeal than ever came out of a jar or bottle of hormones. You need the poise that you get from living — get the picture of the ideal woman in ankle-length chateauise silk evening dress. For the first time in years you need a face that's been lived in. You need your age. BE IT.



Photographer Norman Kates achieved this beguiling effect by developing his film in a gray developer then overprinting his print and bleaching back—losing the lighter tones and accentuating the darker—in a bath of ferri-cyanide.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

A Trip To Switzerland

—Knaif And Hanid See Many Wonderful New Sights—

By MAX TRELL

KNAIF, the Shadow Boy with the Turned-About Name, was sitting on one of the book shelves when he was suddenly surprised to see something white falling all around him. He was even more surprised, when he looked closer, to see that the things that were falling were snowflakes.

Now it isn't usual for snowflakes to start falling inside a bookcase.

Knaif shouted across the room to his sister Hanid.

"It's snowing up here on the second shelf!" he called to her. Hanid made herself small and climbed up.

Puff Of Snow

"Why," she said, a few moments later, "it's all dropping out of that big book on the next shelf. Here comes a puff of it blowing out right now!" Sure enough, it was just as Hanid said. The snow was blowing out of a tall, half-opened book, lying on the shelf above.

Knaif and Hanid both climbed up to have a closer look at the book. It was marked SWITZERLAND.

"Somebody left it open!" said Knaif. "There's a whole blizzard in there!"

Nose Turns Red

Wind and snow came blowing out. Knaif's nose turned red. Hanid's skirts swirled around her knees.

"We'd better get it shut," said Hanid, "before the whole room is covered with snow."

But all at once, the wind died down, the snow stopped falling. The wind stopped blowing. A shaft of sunlight came streaming out from inside the book.

"The storm's all over," said Knaif. Then Knaif and Hanid went up close to the book and stuck their heads inside the covers,

for they were curious to see what sort of country SWITZERLAND was.

They both let out a shout of wonder and delight.

"Look at those mountains!" cried Knaif. "They're as high as the sky!"

All around them, Knaif and Hanid saw mountain peaks. There seemed to be hundreds of them.

Sun Shines

Some of the mountains were shaped like sugar loaves. Some of them were shaped like cows' backs. Some were rounded like a ball. Some were pointed like a clown's hat. Some looked like houses with chimneys.

All the mountains were covered with snow. And now, with sun shining down on them, they sparkled with a million diamonds.

Far down in the valley, Knaif and Hanid could see green, grassy slopes where herds of cows and goats were grazing.

And then, all of a sudden, the sunlight disappeared once more



"It's snowing up here on the second shelf!" Knaif called.

as though someone had snapped it off like an electric light.

The wind blew. The snow started falling. Knaif's teeth chattered and she shivered. They both ran out of the book. They shut it tight.

Then they looked at each other and laughed.

"SWITZERLAND's a wonderful place," Knaif said. "One minute the snow falls."

"And the next minute the sun shines," said Hanid.

Rupert and the Outlaws—35



Swerving to the left the dog heads straight up the hillside behind the log cabin. "Hi, that must be wrong," the woman declares. "My little boy doesn't generally play up there." "Oh please, let us go on," Rupert pleads. The dog seems very sure of the trail. If your boy is up there, that would explain why you got no answer to your calls. You were all searching downhill instead of up.



How fast that animal is going, I hope I can keep it in sight. And he tries to find the easiest way up the steep boulders.

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FASHION FOCUS FOR THE YOUNG

YOU would think that, with plenty of excellent, low-priced ready-made clothes flooding into the shops, fewer and fewer women would bother to make clothes for themselves. You would be wrong.

Gathering impressive momentum this autumn is an upward boom in the home-dressmaking business.

Symptoms of the boom: the dramatic expansion of fabric departments all over London; the rush by all leading pattern people and fabric firms to stage fashion shows.

Currently there are four or five running in London to put ideas in the home-dressmaker's head, including the super-colossal Vogue-Jacquar show at Selfridges and Derry and Toms as well as Jacquar, and sending up pattern and fabric sales like crazy.

There's another more modest show put on by the makers of Lanaknit Jersey at Dickins & Jones this week. The International Wool Secretariat has yet another one running.

Surprise result of the boom: the wholesale houses no longer now have first pick of the exciting new fabrics. In the shops

now there is at least as much pretty fabric selling by the yard as there is hanging ready-made up on the rails.

Rose-printed wool-and-angora mixtures, thick co-ordinated jerseys (plain fabrics to team up with checked or patterned ones for a two-piece outfit) are available in a width the home-dressmaker has been praying for: 66 inches.

There are quantities of the new printed wools. And a new cheap rival, brushed rayon selling at 6s. 11d. a yard in highly imaginative and beautifully coloured designs. And more of the synthetic fabrics, Courtois and Terylene, brushed nylon and much later on—Orlon, are on the way.

But to me the most interesting part of it all is the rise in the prestige of the home dress-

maker. Five years ago most women were reluctant to admit they made their clothes themselves. Today, even fewer women would care to admit that they are dunces with a needle.

By BARBARA GRIGGS

JEAN-AGE CLUB

What age-group in this country spends most on clothes, hair, make-up?

No prizes for the correct answer: it is, of course, the teenagers—the girls just out of school or earning their first three or four years of weekly pay-packets—the earners who don't yet have to worry about rent and telephone bills and the price of fish.

To find out what these golden girls are after — and to help them get it — a leading store of Bath has launched a brilliant scheme which deserves nationwide imitation.

They have formed a Jean-age club (no membership fee) of a hundred or so teenage girls, some of them still at school, others already old hands at clerical or factory work.

The club's council of 12 will relay their suggestions, criticisms and comments to the store's buyers and managers. The store will act accordingly.

For the teenagers this will mean the end, they hope, of shuttling dependently between the children's wear and the cheap end of the older fashion rails.

For the store, whose managing director, James Colmer, thought up the idea, it's a golden way to scoop the teenage goodwill of Bath.

Last week I went down to Bath to meet a group of the club's young members and heard an advance sample of the sort of comments they plan to start firing shortly.

THEIR WANTS

And—since teenagers themselves are far and away the greatest experts on teenage clothes, I print it here for the guidance of anxious mums who

feel out of touch, for shops and stores who think they know and have got it wildly wrong, and designers who are still thinking in terms of Peter Pan collars and lots of nice blue velvet.

These are the women who will be deciding whether to fall for the Paris line or not in five years' time. They're worth listening to.

What do they want?

THEY WANT their own departments in shops and stores where they can pick around and discuss without older women breathing disapprovingly down their necks and disparaging their young taste.

THEY WANT more good, simple tailored clothes: something that, apparently, hardly exists in the Jean-age market—at their price, anyway.

THEY WANT up-to-date shoes. All of them agreed that even branches of multiple shoe shops seem to think that five miles outside London all demand for fashion comes to a dead end. Pointed toes and this year's colours are a must.

COLOUR, STYLE

THEY WANT enormous variety, plenty of colour and a zany sense of style in separates—the big teenage favourite. All of them wear tapered, pretty trousers in grey colours, with loose shirts or handsomely thick sweaters, for lounging around at home and they don't want to pay a lot for them. They would rather, buy plenty, and cheap.

THEY ALL WANTED — and they were firm about this — more light skirts. "The clothes they make for teenagers are much too loose and baggy, and there are far too many 'full skirts' altogether," commented 17-year-old Pamela Barton.

"We want more straight-skirted dresses. We like really full skirts sometimes, but the ones that are neither one nor the other are a waste of time."

THEY ALL WANTED—short skirts. As far as that goes, Dior is the man for them, every time.

AND THEY ALL AGREED on the near-impossibility of finding pretty coats: cut straight and streamlined in good, bright colours—London Express sees-

vice.

I'm Not Bitter Now, Says America's Greatest Miler

By JOE ST AMENT

Los Angeles, Sept. 24. The ordinary person might feel like the storied man without a country if he were barred for life from his chosen career. Not so with Wes Santee, rated America's best mile runner before he was outlawed from amateur competition for collecting too many dollars and cents in the way of expenses.

At 27 Santee feels that he is at the peak of his physical powers and he would leap back into competition including the 1960 Olympic Games if the Amateur Athletic Association (AAU) would officially beckon him.

Santee displays no bitterness toward the AAU which cut short his running career as he was approaching his peak.

AXE FELL

In 1955 he ran his fastest mile in 4:00.5 and that was the fastest any American in history had done the distance. He had marks of 4:00.6 and 4:00.7 in that same year.

Then the axe fell and he was barred for life. Why was he singled out among all athletes who have been getting the same kind of expenses? The AAU failed to punish even one official among all the officials who must have winked at the admittedly excessive expenses he received.

Santee stopped briefly here en route to a two-week tour of duty as a Marine Corps reserve first lieutenant at El Toro Air Station south of Los Angeles and told United Press International that the lifetime ban against him often comes up during his work with

youth groups in the Middle West.

The Kansas athlete is a traveller—he works for a life insurance company and has 200 lectures on track and field lined up for the coming year. Thirty of these engagements will take the form of track and field clinics during which Santee will show movies and then go into the field and demonstrate techniques.

NOT BITTER

"I'm not bitter about the ban now," he said. "I probably could have been considered bitter initially. The tactics of some officials were very unfair. The Officials got off scot-free. Sure, I violated the rules, but let's go whole-hog and kick the officials out too."

Laughingly he added, "I probably should give the AAU 10 per cent of the life insurance I write. A lot of people never heard of Wes Santee before I got banned. This has been a door-opener for me in the insurance business."

Santee feels that if the AAU does not reinstate him as an Amateur it should at least make a public expression of friendship for his work with young athletes.

He said he has spoken to two AAU officials, whom he

did not name, about reinstatement but has received no response.

"It would be nice," he said, "if they would re-endorse me in some way or other. I don't criticize the AAU when I talk to kids. I don't think this would be right."

FORMULA

"I think the AAU is a necessary organization," he added. "But it should be more professional from the standpoint of efficiency. These fellows (present officials) are willing to do the work but a lot of them are simply not proficient and they don't keep up with the rules."

As for a formula for improving the caliber of American track and field athletes, Santee suggested that the best runners be allowed to compete against each other. "This," he said, "would mean automatically better times."

He said some American coaches have a tendency to pick spots for their stars and will not run them against certain competitors.

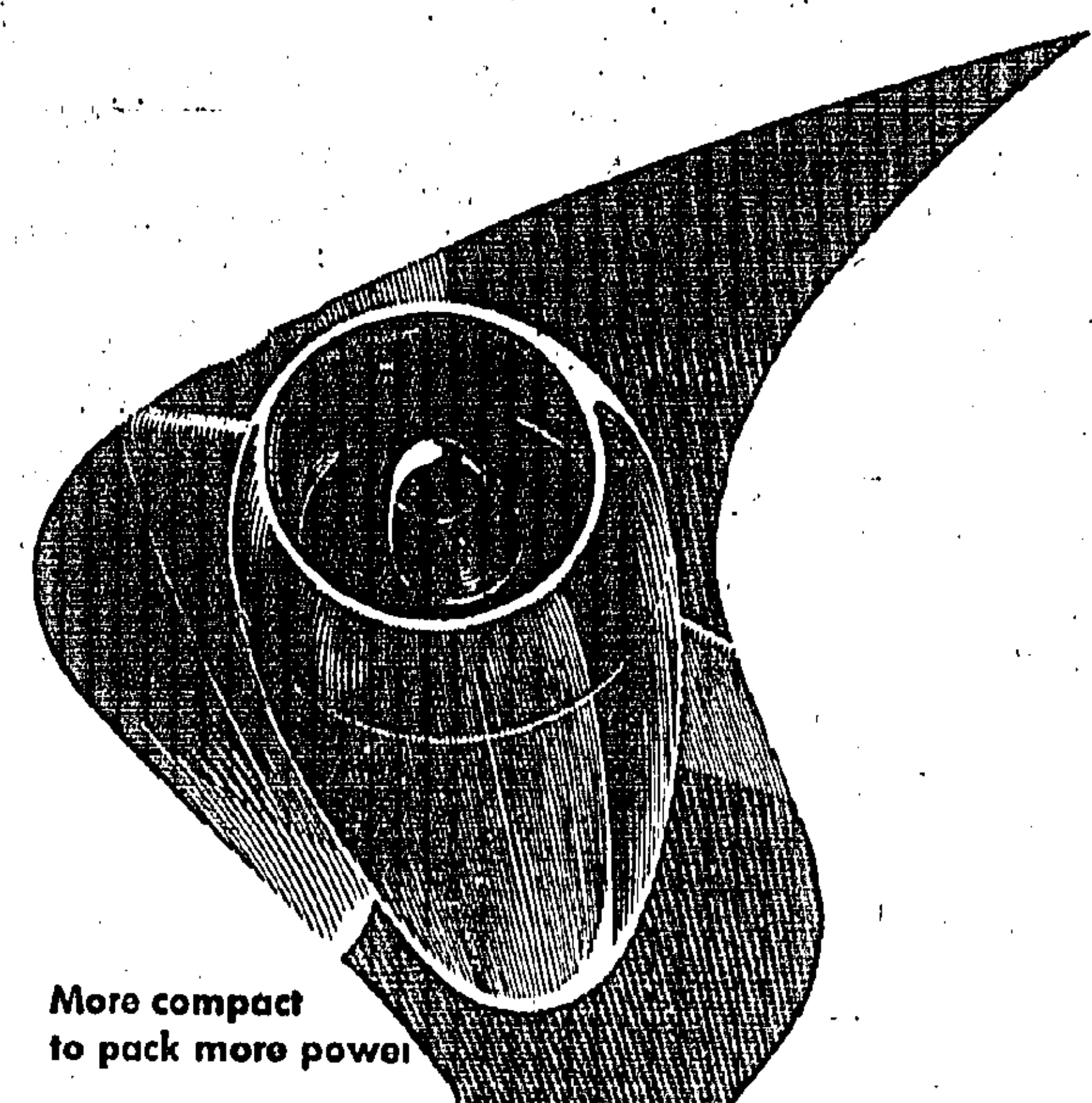
As a second suggestion, he said former great athletes such as Olympic champion pole-vaulter Bob Richards should be recruited to act as officials at track and field meets.—UPI.

SPORTSWOMAN OF YEAR



Mary Bignal (above) Britain's outstanding woman athlete, has been chosen Sportswoman of the Year by the Sports Writers Association. Miss Bignal, who recently brought off a double in Britain's match against Russia at Moscow, received far more votes than any other sports girl.

The top six in the ballot were: Mary Bignal (athletics), Christine Truman (law tennis), Anita Lonsborough (swimming), Mrs Warren Vofford (nee Palthorpe) (show jumping), Natalie Steward (swimming) and Beryl Burton (cycling). These six will be the guests of the Sports Writers Association at a dinner on October 14th. Altogether 25 were nominated for the poll, which aims to honour the sportswomen who have done the most in the past year for Great Britain in international sport.—Express Photo.



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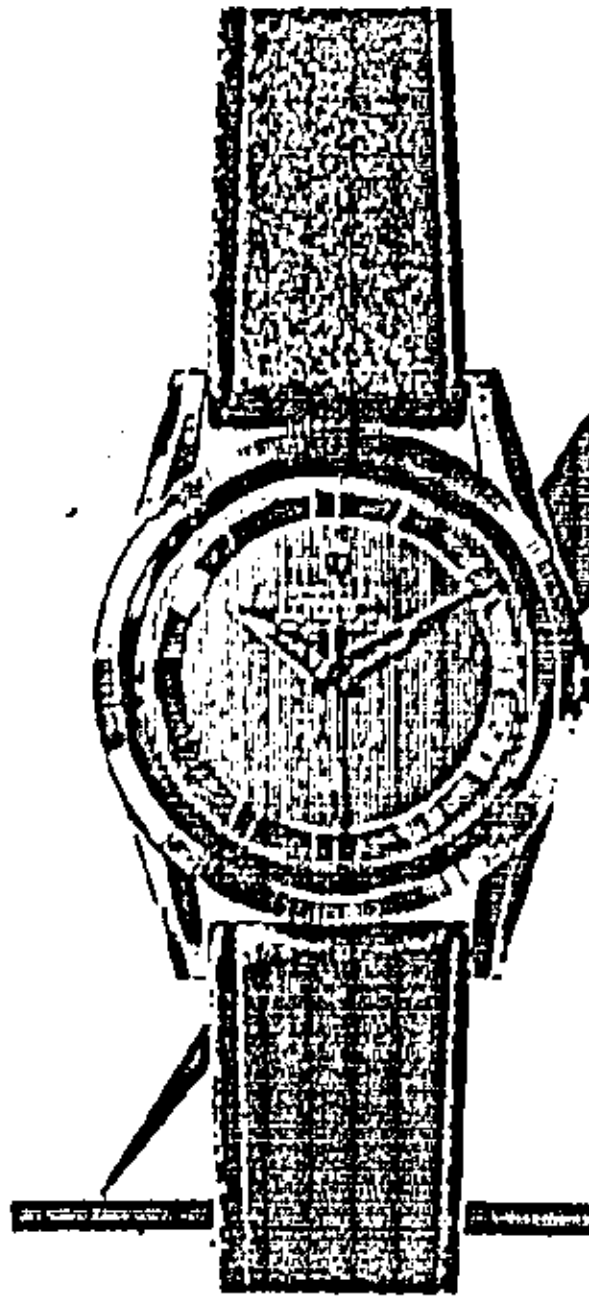
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THE LITTLE SCOTSMAN WHO DEFIES MEDICAL SCIENCE

London. On Oct. 20, a black-haired young Scot named Bobby Neill will step into the floodlit boxing ring at Wembley Pool, London, to tackle world featherweight champion Davy Moore over 10 rounds.

It will not be a world title fight. But it will be a miracle that the little Scotsman should be in the same ring as a world champion. For Neill is the man who defies medical science, the boxer who has twice been told by doctors that he would never fight again.

Twice he has been crippled in near-fatal accidents; twice he has returned to the ring. With many other mishaps he has a medical record as long as a heavyweight's arm.

"MIRACLE MAN"

Yet today, Bobby Neill is the British featherweight champion—known as the "miracle man" of boxing and probably the most fantastic featherweight since the golden days of one-lung champion Ned Timmon. Neill opened his medical record book at the age of 14 when he broke his right wrist attempting a school high jump record at Trinity Academy, Edinburgh.

At 15, he had his right knee kicked in a rugby scrum and then spent eight weeks in plaster. But his injuries didn't stop him becoming school rugby and cricket captain.

At 17, after three weeks as a commercial artist, he suffered his first big set-back. He was cycling home when he was involved in a collision with a motor-cycle.

Neill, the all-round athlete who had already won a Scottish amateur boxing title, lay smashed-up in the gutter. The most serious of his multiple injuries was a crushed

left thigh. He spent eight hours on the operating table and 18 months encased in plaster from foot to chest. A silver plate was inserted, then came the crutches and steel harness.

On leaving hospital, Neill ignored the experts' advice to "take it easy." Dispensing with his leg iron, he started to jockey about golf courses. After two years he was playing two rounds a day with a handicap of 12.

Then despite the fact that he had one leg three-quarters-of-an-inch shorter than the other—he returned to boxing—as a professional.

KNOCKED OUT

Critics immediately liked his style and hailed him as the best young boxer of 1956. They made him 4-1 favourite when he met Ulsterman Jimmy Brown in January, 1957—but Neill was knocked out in the eighth round.

After three months out of the ring with an injured elbow, Neill was knocked down within 10 seconds of the start of his fight against Belgian Eddie Roeland. But he fought back to score a sensational win in four rounds.

Tragedy struck again the following month. In August, 1957, when he was driving home to Scotland, his car collided with a bus and once more he was picked up in the road. This time his left leg was broken at the knee.

So, eight months after being dubbed a walking miracle, he was back in hospital. This time the doctors were unanimous. They told him: "You must forget about boxing ever again."

But Neill resolved that he would never quit until he had become a champion. Once again he dragged his weary

limbs over miles of golf courses, building up his muscles for the day he could make his comeback.

Then, at 24 he returned to the ring. In seven whirlwind weeks he had conquered five opponents and came within sight of his lifelong goal. He was matched with the British featherweight champion, Charlie Hill.

That fight never came off as planned. Shortly before it was due to take place Neill won an unimportant fight against the Belgian Alain Devlegh. But he won it at the expense of a broken jaw.

Neill, the jinx fighter, had his chin wired up for six weeks and saw his dreams of a title fight fade into the distant future.

REWARDED

Finally, after two postponements, the long-awaited Battle of the Scots took place in April, 1959. And the courage and persistence of Bobby Neill was rewarded with a ninth-round victory over Hill.

The new champion, who needed seven stitches over his eyes, declared: "Now everything has been worth it. I was determined to become champion and I am." It seemed that Neill had finally thrown off the tag of Britain's unluckiest boxer. For just as he was about to knock out Terry Spinks after being out-punched and out-fought for eight rounds, again only sheer guts carried him through.

What does the future hold for this gallant Scot who has moved about with the help of silver plates, surgical rivets, splints, crutches, leg irons and a wheelchair?

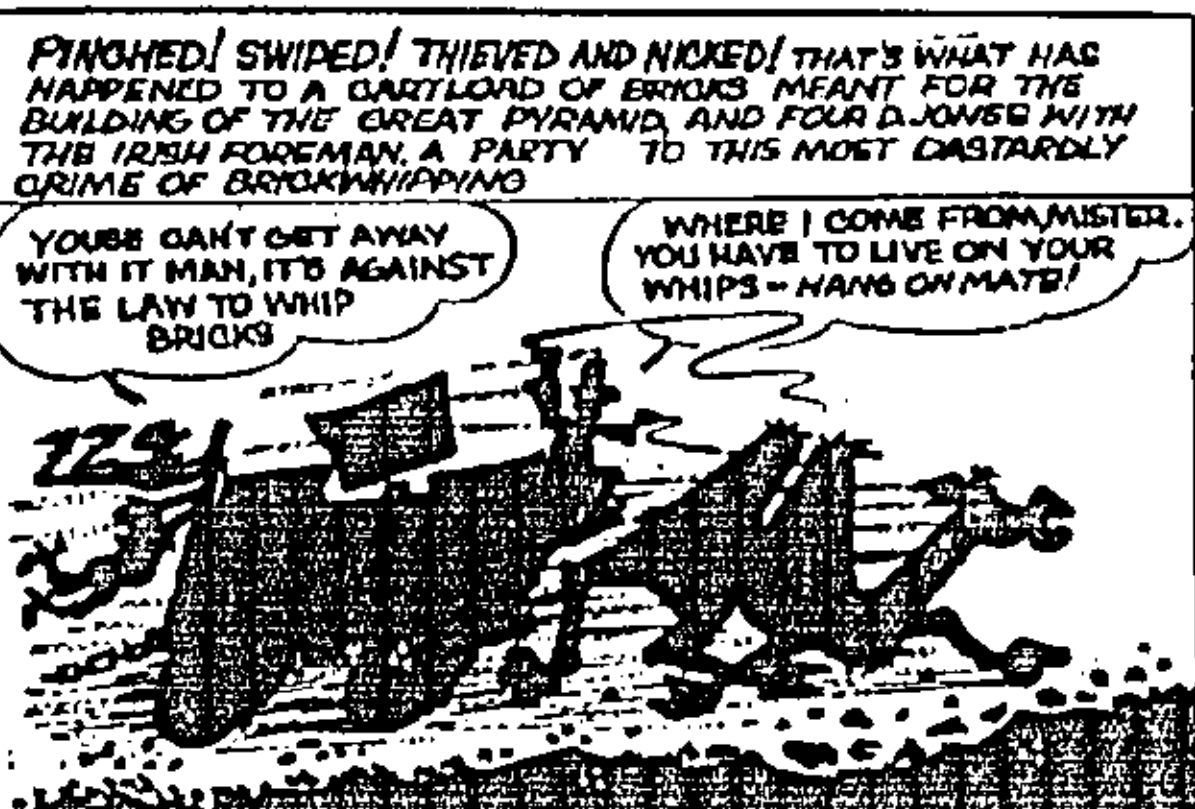
He has been promised a world title bout if he beats the American Davy Moore next month. But, judging by form,

Sports Diary

TO-DAY
Colony Fancy Springboard diving championship, Victoria Pool, 5.45 p.m.

TO-MORROW
Soccer
1st Division: Eastern v Happy Valley (Club), Kowloon v Kowloon (Club), Kowloon v Kowloon (Club), all matches at 5 p.m.
2nd Division: Telephone v Kowloon (Club) 3.30 p.m.; Gymnastic v AFS (BS) 3.30 p.m.; Club v HAF Sal Wan (Navy) 3.30 p.m.; Hon Yim v HAF Kai Tak (Navy) 5 p.m.; HIL v Taikee (HIV) 5.30 p.m.; RENE v Prisons (HIV) 5 p.m.
3rd Division: University v B & S (Hokulani) 5 p.m.; Kin Gordon v HK Gas (HIV) 5.30 p.m.; Mercantile v S.H. Yim (HIV) 5 p.m.; C & W v Dwell (HIV) 5.30 p.m.; Rediffusion v Tramways (HIV) 5 p.m.

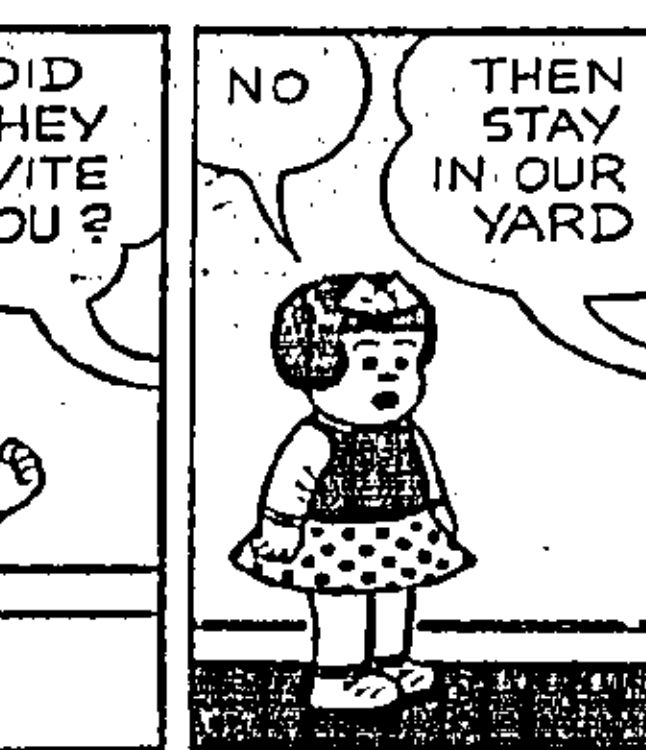
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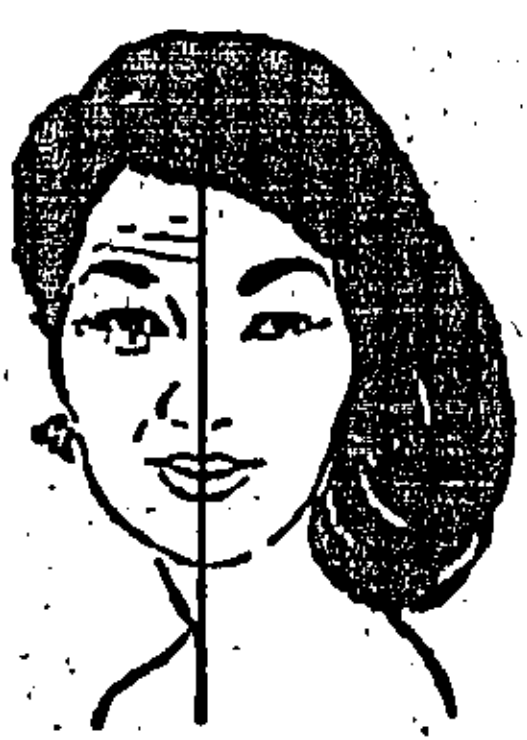
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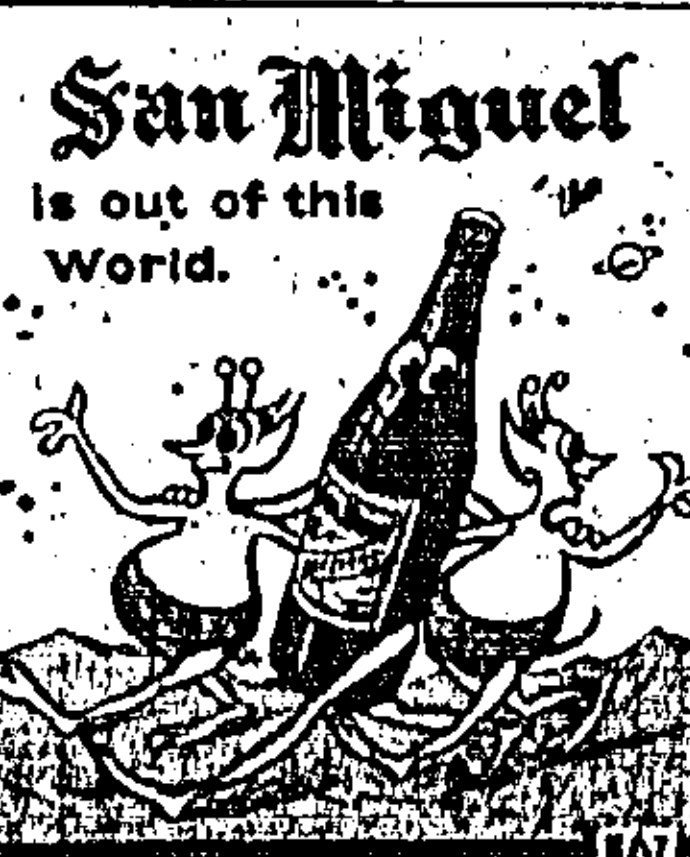
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TRIAD YOUTH INTIMIDATED SON OF DETECTIVE

A youthful Triad shoeshine boy who demanded money from a Chinese detective's son, was sent to gaol for three years when he pleaded guilty to two counts of demanding money with menaces, two counts of larceny and being a member of a Triad society.

"You are lucky being so young, because the Police could have transferred this case to a higher court," said Mr. H. V. Rhodes, the magistrate at Kowloon Court, before sentencing Wong Wing-hong, 19, to gaol.

The prosecutor, Det. Sub-Inspector J. E. Collins, said that on September 11, two young schoolboys aged seven and eight went to Sal Yee Street to buy some ice cream. The younger boy was the son of a Police detective.

Threat

On the way they were stopped by the shoeshine boy, who took them to a nearby staircase where he threatened them and demanded that they join the Wo Shing Yee Triad society.

He took 10 cents from the older boy.

The prosecutor added that the following day the detective's son stole \$10 from his grandfather and gave it to the shoeshine boy. But the defendant was not satisfied. He asked the boy to bring him some wine and a Jade Buddha.

A week later on September 19, the detective's son was questioned by his father about the disappearance of the \$10. The boy then admitted he had stolen it and given it to a shoeshine boy who had threatened him.

The detective then arrested the defendant, S. I. Collins added that the defendant was sentenced to three months imprisonment.

Government Appointments

The Government Gazette announced today the following appointments, transfers and promotions:

Mr. A. P. Richardson to be Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.
Mr. J. Canning to be Senior Education Officer.

Mrs. Catherine Man Wong Kailun to be Education Officer.
Dr. M. Russell to act as Specialist (Medical).

Dr. O. L. Thomas to be Medical Officer.
Mr. E. Blackburn to act as Assistant Superintendent of Police.

Mr. E. G. Sousa to be Legal Assistant, Registrar General's Department.
Mr. J. Alexander to be Chief Engineer, PWD.

Mr. N. A. Photiades to be Engineer.
Mr. A. F. Meyers to be Planning Officer.

Mr. George Young to be Inspector of Works, Class I.



Bearing the mace is Mr. Nel Obblitas. He leads the procession down the steps from the platform after this morning's Matriculation Ceremony. Behind him is the Vice-Chancellor, Dr. L. T. Ride. Behind him is Mr. B. Mellor, Professor F. S. Drake and Mr. R. H. Leary.—China Mail photo.

380 Become Undergrads At University Ceremony

The Matriculation Ceremony held this morning at the University of Hong Kong, was described by the Vice-Chancellor, Dr. L. T. Ride, as a ceremony of public recognition that each newly-admitted undergraduate had qualified by examination and was accepted as member of the University.

About 380 students were admitted to the status of undergraduate by the Vice-Chancellor after presentation by the masters and wardens of their respective halls.

With traditional ceremonial the Vice-Chancellor's procession entered the Loko Yew Hall which was filled with candidates for matriculation in their olive green academic dress.

First came the wardens, Mrs. A. P. Rose, of the Duchess of Kent Hall, Mr. A. J. Lewis, of the Loko Yew Hall, Mrs. M. Viskic of Lady Ho Tung Hall with the Rev. Fr. R. Harris of Ried Hall; Mr. J. W. Matthews of May Hall.

with Mr. R. H. Leary of Lugard Hall, the Rev. D. L. Rogers of Morrison Hall and the Rev. E. Kwan, Master of St. John's College.

The Deans of the Faculties of Science, Arts, Engineering and Architecture followed, then came the Registrar, the Assistant Registrar, bearing the mace and the Vice-Chancellor.

Dr. Ride said at the close of the ceremony that he hoped it had been less of a nightmare than the past months of examinations and syllabuses they had had to overcome.

"It is a good thing to look back and laugh at difficulties that are all over now and to learn to look back over your life with a smile," he said.

He explained the derivative of the word matriculation that it came from a pedagogue's way of saying a little list. Another name for a list is a register and we call the man who keeps the list the Registrar. He has other duties as well, but one of his main functions is to maintain and keep the register.

"There is a play by Gilbert and Sullivan called 'The Mikado'. You will have a chance of seeing it soon. One of the characters runs around saying 'I've got a little list and I've got him on my list'. You are now on the list and you will feel strange at first, there are many differences between University and school life, less teaching and more studies.

"There is more than book-learning in the University and I hope you will learn here to become useful members of society. There are discussion groups, social and athletic clubs, something for all of you and you will learn that the more you put into your life here, the more you will get out of it.

"Find out what it has to offer and what you can offer. If you do this there will be no need to wish you well, you will do well."

WITNESS DENIES ACCOUNT KEPT FOR 'JUGGLING'

A FORMER accountant now serving sentence for a conspiracy denied in the Victoria District Court this morning that a bank account had been maintained in connection with the "juggling" of accounts of the Vaswani Trading Co.

The witness was T. K. Ganeshani, formerly of the Vaswani Trading Co., whose director and shareholder, Lucky Dayaram Vaswani, 28, is on trial before Judge B. J. Jennings.

The charge against Vaswani is that he conspired with others between January 1, 1958, and January 31, 1959, to fraudulently obtain Imperial Preference Certificates from the Department of Commerce and Industry.

Ganeshani, who is serving a five-month sentence for conspiracy, had been called as a defence witness.

Contributions

Yesterday, Ganeshani testified that the accused had nothing to do with the accounts pertaining to the International Clothing Factory, which is owned by the Vaswani Trading Co.

Cross-examined today on what had been described as a mess account of the factory in the bank, Ganeshani said there had been contributions to this account by members of the company every month.

He managed this account since his arrival in Hong Kong in 1955, until the end of August 1957. In December 1957 he managed this account again.

The contributions to the mess account were in round figures, said the witness.

Shown a statement of accounts for 1958, made out in the name of Lucky Vaswani, witness said he himself managed that account.

Ganeshani agreed that none of the items on a page in the statement were in round figures. But he said he used to put the money into the bank in round sums every month.

Managed Account
Mr. Simon Li, Crown Counsel, suggested to witness that there were actually no such contributions to the "so-called mess account", and that it was in fact an account maintained by Vaswani with the object of enabling the factory people to "juggle" with the factory accounts.

Denying this, Ganeshani said he himself was managing the accounts, not Vaswani.

Hearing is proceeding.
Mr. Brook Bernard is defending Vaswani, instructed by Mr. R. F. O. Dennis, of Drutton and Co. Revenue Inspector Lee Kin-ick is assisting in the prosecution.

HK Bank Chiefs Off
To US Conference
Mr. G. O. W. Stewart, acting Chief Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, is leaving the Colony this afternoon for Washington D.C., by Boac, to attend the International Bank conference. The conference opens on Monday.

The HK & Shanghai Bank Chief Manager, Mr. M. W. Turner, now on leave in the U.K., will also fly to Washington to attend the conference as the special guest of the delegates.

Mr. Stewart will return to the Colony on October 6.

The Celebrities
She Met
When Miss Frances Silva, business executive daughter of Mr. Ren Silva, visited the United States and Europe, recently, she met many celebrities.

In Rediffusion "Spotlight" tonight at ten o'clock, Miss Silva will discuss her visit with Charles Harvey. The programme will include excerpts from some of the latest recordings made during her visits to recording studios.

Commission Gets Legal Adviser

Mr. D. F. O. Mayne, Senior Crown Counsel, has been appointed to be legal adviser to the Electricity Commission, the Government Gazette notified today.

Review Board

Mr. Seaward Woo, J. P., has been appointed to be a member of the panel of the Inland Revenue Board of Review, the Government Gazette notified today.

The following were re-appointed Members of the Board: Mr. R. C. Lee, Messrs H. R. M. Cleland, D. B. Evans, W. T. Grimsdale, L. Kadoorie, W. A. Stewart, U. Tai-choo and W. A. Welch.

Dental Council

The Government Gazette notified today that the following have been appointed to be Members of the Dental Council of Hong Kong: Dr. Lam Chi-wai, Dr. George Chao Wing-sien, Dr. Chaun Kwok-wing, Mr. A. J. Staple, Dr. Peter Kingman Hsu and Dr. Li Min-yue.

YWCA Theft

A sum of money and a number of fountain pens and wrist watches to a total value of \$720 were stolen from the YWCA, Macdonnell Road yesterday.

Warm Welcome For Hospital Plan

By A CHINA MAIL REPORTER

Hongkong civic leaders today gave a warm welcome to the expansion plan for Queen Mary Hospital.

Queen Mary Hospital will expand its accommodation for patients from 600 to 800 beds sometime next autumn when their new wing comes into existence, it was reported.

"The public welcomes the expansion of medical facilities in Hong Kong Island," said Mr. Hinton Cheung-keen, Elected Member of the Urban Council this morning.

"We would assume that this is a prelude to a further large medical scheme. Nevertheless it is still felt that the expansion programme is not fast enough for the fast-growing population of the Colony."

Mr. Cheung-keen thought that the Queen Mary Hospital expansion should have come earlier but "it's better late than never."

The Government should speed up the plan for the hospital to be established on the eastern end of the island as they have hinted. Such a hospital is very much in need," he said.

Not Very Big
Dr. J. Allison Bell, Elected Member of the Urban Council, glad to learn of the expansion plan, said that although 200 new beds would not be a very big number for the growing population, the extra new beds to be added elsewhere on the island next year should also be taken into account before one could say that accommodation is adequate for the population.

An official of the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals said this morning that there was no immediate plan in sight to expand their accommodation on Hong Kong Island next year although the new Kwong Wah Hospital construction work is still proceeding apace.

He also welcomed the expansion by the Government for Queen Mary Hospital.

Pensionable Establishment

The Government Gazette notified today that the confirmation of the following officers to the permanent and pensionable establishment has been approved: Mr. J. W. Hayes, Cadet Officer, Class II; Mr. Lee Hak-kim, Structural Engineer; Mr. Liang Shau-kwong, Auditor; Dr. Chiu Chiu-sun, Medical Officer; and Mr. A. J. Reeve, Education Officer.

Lieut. A. T. Armstrong-Wright, Lieut. D. E. d'Almada Remedios and Lieut. Sun Han have been promoted to the rank of captain in the Hong Kong Regiment, the Government Gazette notified today.

Today—formed the basis of his book, "Clutch of Circumstance". After the war he went back to Japan and is now a popular broadcaster in the domestic and overseas services of NHK.

During the postwar years he wrote "Bath House Nights," an anecdotal view of life in Japan, and "Japanalia," a handy, comprehensive guide to Japanese ways.

His latest book, "Land of the Dragonfly," which has just reached Hong Kong, is a sympathetic study of the rise and fall of the Japanese Empire and its translation into a modern democratic state.

Though he is only passing through Hong Kong today, he will be making a longer stay on his way back to his home in Tokyo early next month.

PRISON CAMP AUTHOR PASSES THROUGH COLONY

London-born Lewis Bush, journalist and expert on things Japanese, passes through the Colony today on his way from Tokyo by Hong Kong to London where he is to make an extensive month-long lecture tour.

Before World War II he was a lecturer in English language and literature at government high schools and universities in Japan.

When war came, he left Japan with his Japanese wife and came to Hong Kong to join the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve and was captured while serving in a motor torpedo boat squadron. He spent the rest of the war in a prison camp here.

His experience in camp, shared with many others who are still living in the Colony

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